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Focusing on South Africa's three main cities – Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban – this book explores South African urban history from the late nineteenth century onwards. In particular, it examines the metropolitan perceptions and experiences of both Black and White South Africans, as well as those of visitors. Drawing on a rich array of city histories, travel writing, novels, films, newspapers, radio and television programmes and oral histories, Vivian Bickford-Smith focuses on the consequences of the depictions of the South African metropolis and the 'slums' they contained. The book also seeks to place South African cities comparatively alongside similar treatment of European and North American cities of the same period.

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Abbreviations

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ACVV	Afrikaanse Christelyk Vrouwe Vereneeging
AFP	African Film Productions
ANC	African National Congress
APO	African Political Organization
BMSC	Bantu Mens' Social Centre
CAFDA	Cape Flats Distress Association
CPPA	Cape Peninsula Publicity Association
CPSA	Communist Party of South Africa
DEIC	Dutch East India Company
DPA	Durban Publicity Association
DRC	Dutch Reformed Church
ESCOM	Electricity Supply Commission
GNP	Gesuiwerde Nasionale Party
HNP	Herenigde Nasionale Party
ICU	Industrial and Commercial Union
<i>ILN</i>	<i>Illustrated London News</i>
ISCOR	Iron and Steel Industrial Corporation
JPA	Johannesburg Publicity Association
NAD	Native Affairs Department
NCAW	National Council for African Women
NIC	Natal Indian Congress
NP	National Party
NPA	National Publicity Association
OB	Ossewabrandwag
PAC	Pan African Congress
SANNC	South African Native National Congress
SAP	South African Police
SAR&H	South African Railways and Harbours
SATOUR	South African Tourist Corporation
SDF	Social Democratic Federation
TBIC	Transvaal British Indian Congress
UP	United Party

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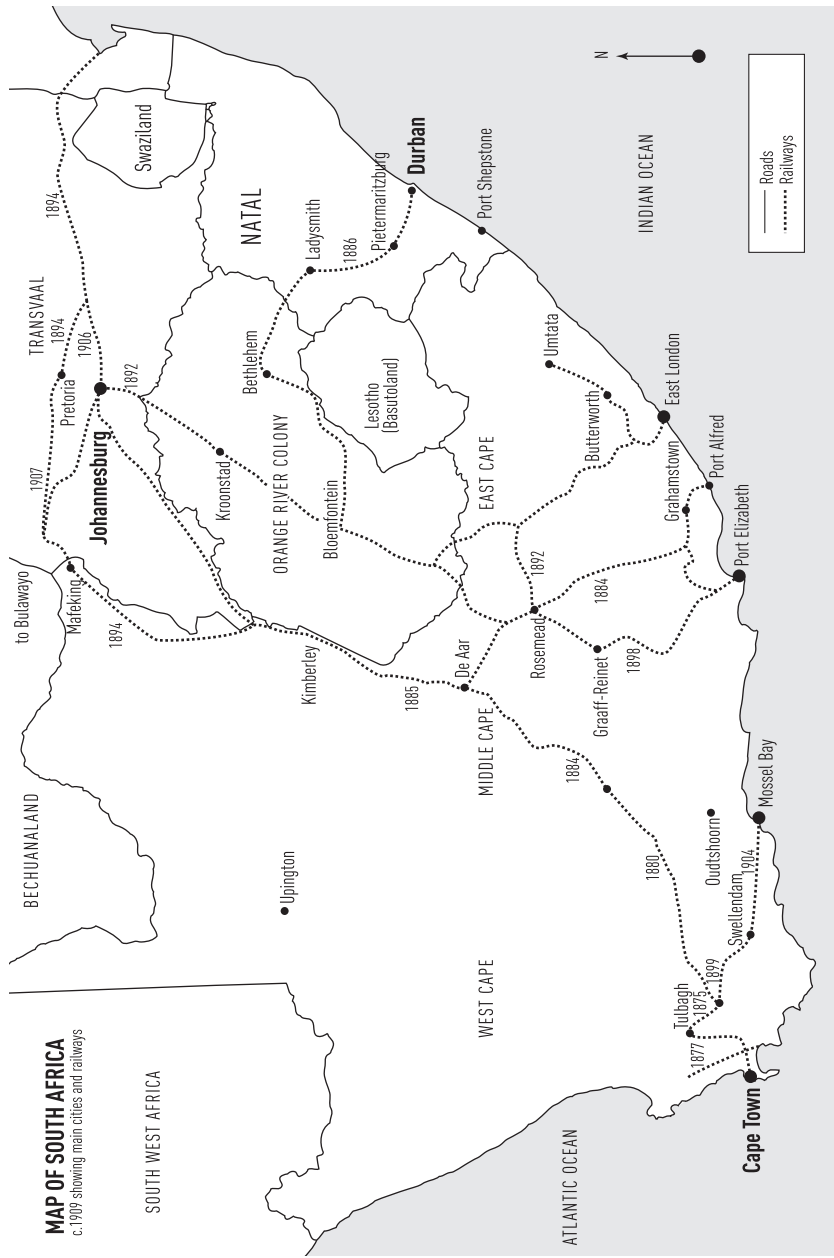
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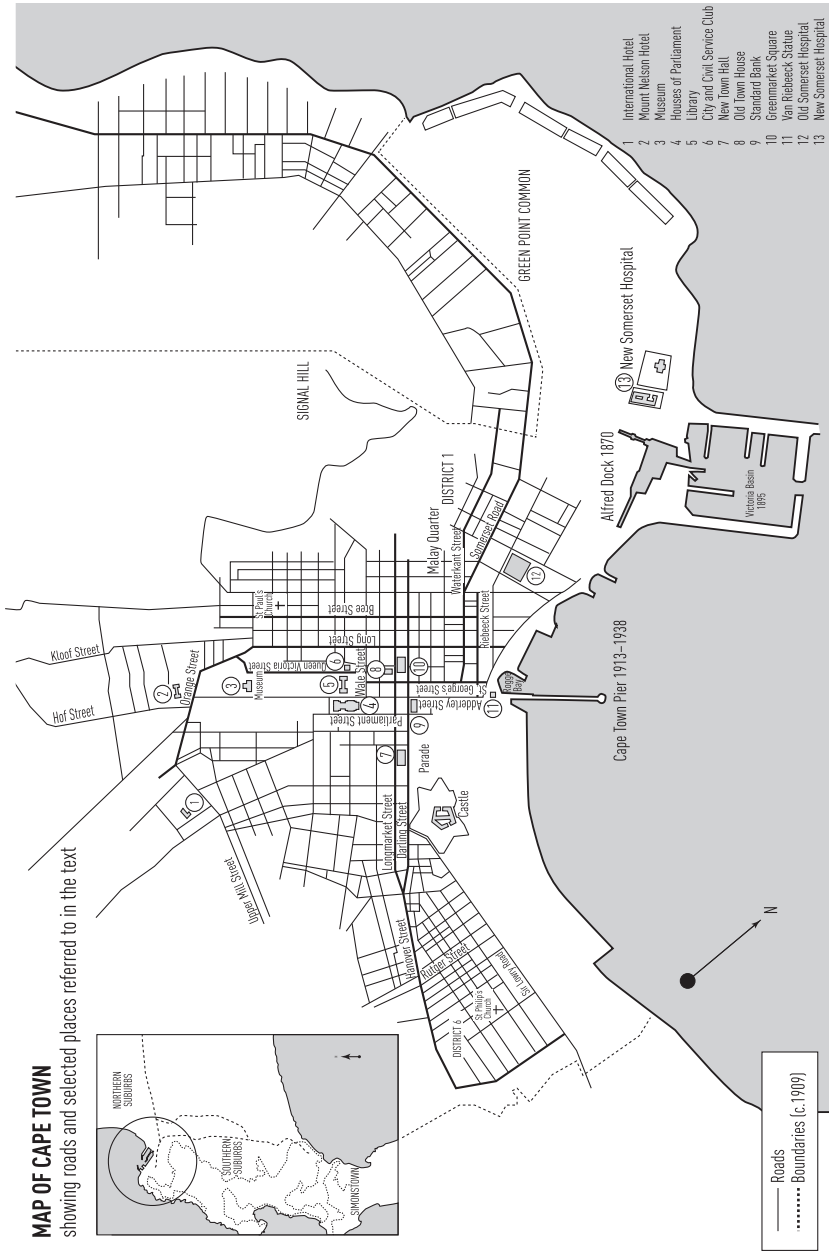
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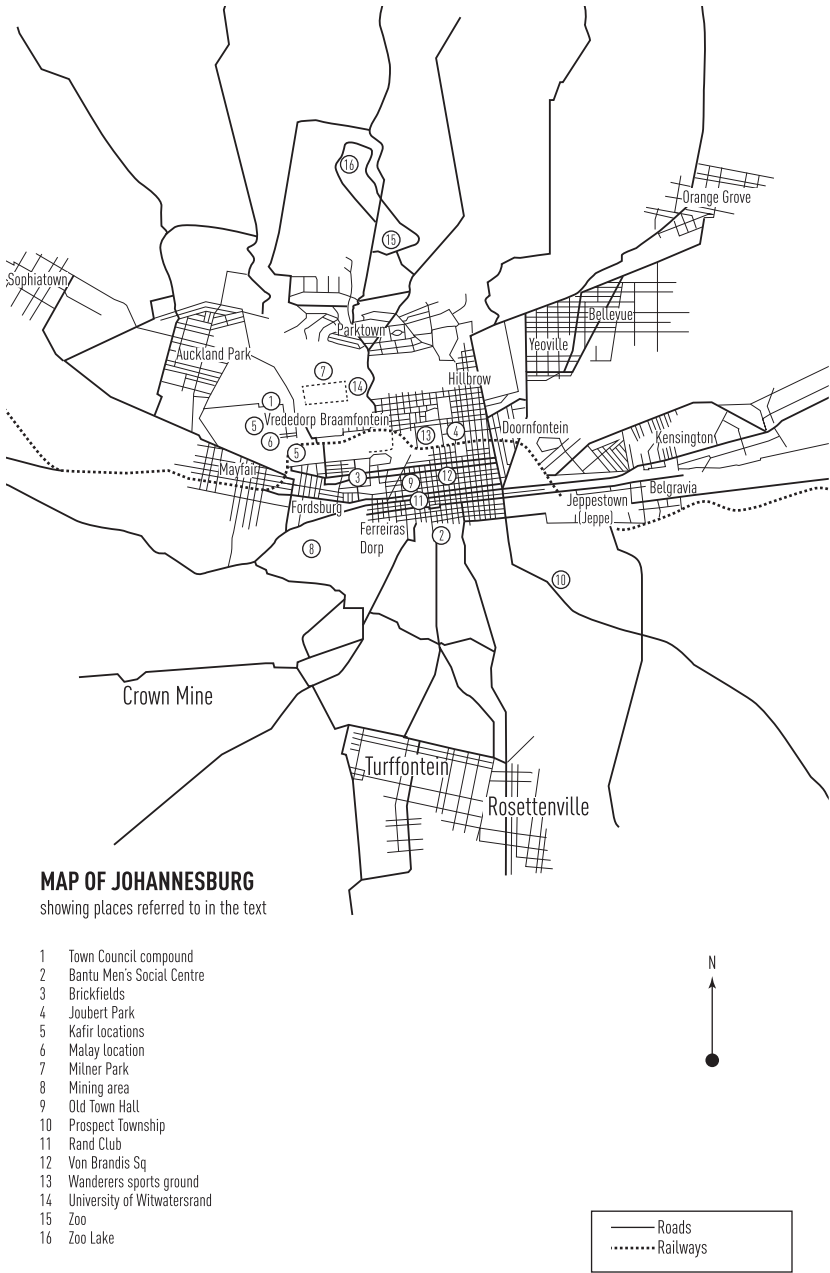
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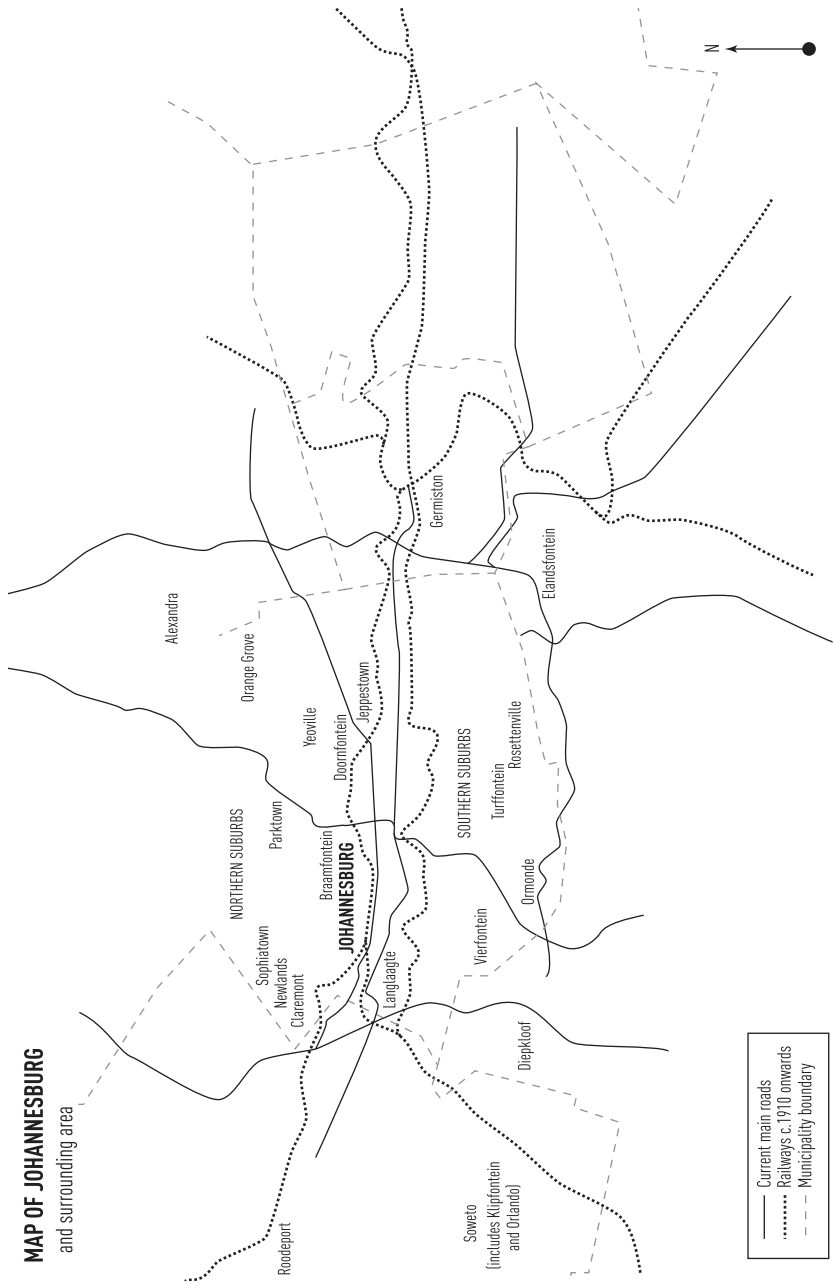


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