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Efram Sera-Shriar writes:

What lessons can we learn from nineteenth-century naturalists interested in human diversity? I am attempting to recreate a Victorian research practice, asking for responses to a questionnaire patterned after mid-nineteenth-century questionnaires. My aim is to see what we as historians can learn from the experience, to assess the strengths and weaknesses of nineteenth-century research techniques. For the questionnaire and further information about the project, visit the following website: http://dissertationreviews.org/archives/2022. Send responses to: esshriar@yorku.ca