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sources - monographs, lectures, correspondence - from eminent

Victorian historians to uncover numerous competing discourses.			