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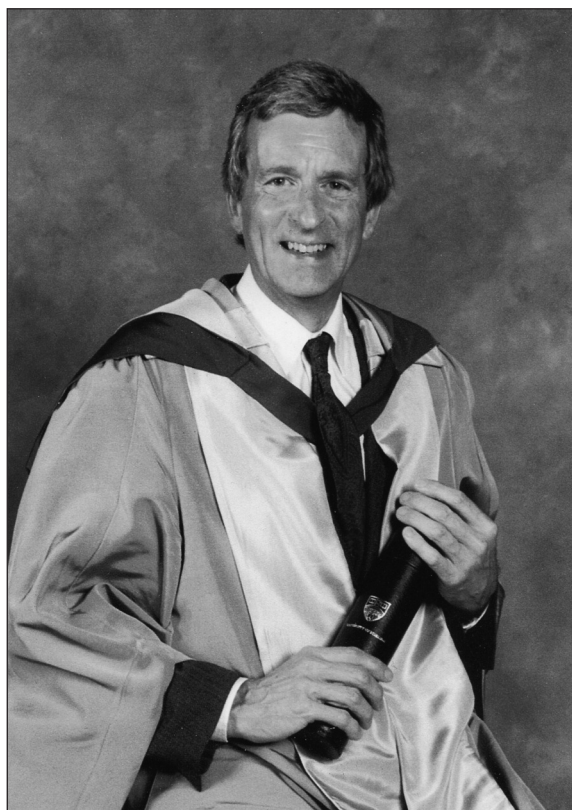
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# Series Editor's Foreword

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*Gentlemen and the Empire of the Mind* (Routledge, 2005). His third book is *The Victorian Reinvention of Race: New Racisms and the Problem of Grouping in the Human Sciences* (Routledge, 2010). The book argues that the invalid category of “race” is repeatedly reinvented by those who are insufficiently careful in how they categorize the peoples of the world. Edward Beasley’s new project is a study of the social and imperial thought of Gen. Sir Charles Napier, Chartist and conqueror of the Sind. And with Rebecca L. Hartmann Frey, he is also preparing a comparative history of parents’ advice to their children in the Classical and Modern eras.

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