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1882-1883

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The collection is open for research.

Provenance

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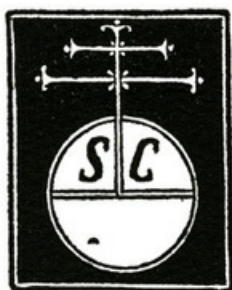
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