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Casper Rene Gregory was a New Testament and is responsible for the creation of a classification system for biblical manuscripts which is still used throughout the scholarly world today. AHTL’s archive collection on Gregory contains more than 35 drawings done by Gregory, including the one in this image. Like many archive collections at AHTL, the material within the collection is varied and contains writings, research, artifacts, and correspondence. To find more exciting things living in AHTL’s archives search HOLLIS, the HDS library website, or visit the 3rd floor of the library.

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