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Abbreviations

RAH CLSC    Colección Luis Salazar y Castro
RAH CP      Colección Pellicer

2 OTHER ABBREVIATIONS

BRAH        Boletín de la Real Academia de la Historia
carp.       carpeta
Codoin      Colección de documentos inéditos para la historia de España
CSPVen      Calendar of State Papers Venetian
leg.        legajo
exp.        expediente
RABM        Revista de Archivos, Bibliotecas y Museos