Principal acquisitions
1 April 2001 – 31 March 2002

This list is not comprehensive but attempts to record all acquisitions of most immediate relevance to research. Some items listed here may, however, remain closed to access for some time and for a variety of reasons. Researchers should always enquire as to the availability of specific items before visiting the Archive, quoting the reference number which appears at the end of each paragraph.

1. BUSINESS RECORDS OF N. M. ROTHSCILD & SONS

Files produced by:
The Correspondence Dept., c.1918-1970 (000/936, 940, 942, 952, 953, 974, 977, 979, 980, 989).
The Audit Dept., c.1918-1970 (000/999, 996, 998, 1003).
Loans Dept., c.1918-1970 (000/1009, 1015, 1079).
Secretary's Dept. c.1918-1970 (000/1004, 1038, 1079).

2. RECORDS RELATING TO THE ROTHSCILD FAMILIES IN AUSTRIA AND GERMANY, 1769-1939, FORMERLY FUNDS 637 IN THE CARE OF HISTORICO-DOCUMENTARY COLLECTIONS, MOSCOW (000/1059)

Early records of Rothschild business activity:
Appointment of Mayer Amschel Rothschild as Court Agent of Hesse, 1769;
Accounts of Frankfurt business, 1797 and 1807.

Rothschild banking business: 1815-1899
Family partnership agreements, 1815-1862;
Balance sheets, 1828-1910;
Records of loans to individuals, 1821-1895.

State Loans:
Austria, 1854-1902;
Hungary, 1873-1902; 42
Various states, 1823-1906.

Hungarian Boden Credit Anstalt:
Dealing in bonds of the company, 1866-1897.

Records of loans to companies:
Siidlahn, 1897-1903;
Buchalter railroad, 1896-1901;
Various railroad companies, 1844-1909;
Italian Electrical Trust, 1898-1909.

Correspondence of Albert von Rothschild:
1894-1899.

Records of various business activities, 1820-1929:
Reports on the company's enterprises, 1890-1895;
Business dealings between
Rothschild banks in Vienna and Paris, 1887-1895;
Notebooks of Anselm von Rothschild on business opportunities, 1850-1860.

Rothschild estates, 1874-1897:
Detailed annual reports on the management of the Schillersdorf and Renen estates, 1823-1897;
Receipts and plans relating to Enzefeld, 1911-1934.

Philanthropic activities:
Letters of thanks from Jewish communities to Salomon von Rothschild for gifts received, 1844;
Construction and financing of the Bettina Pavillon women's hospital, 1892-1902;
Nathaniel von Rothschild
Nervenkrankenhaus, 1898;
Pensions for the staff of the
Viennese bank, 1908.

Applications for walls and testimonial certificates received by Salomon von Rothschild, 1843-1846.

Marriage contracts:
Salomon and Caroline Stern, 1803;
James and Betty, 1824;
Sara Louise and Raimondo Franchetti, 1858.

State papers:
Will of Nathan Rothschild, 1836;
Will and estate papers of Anselm von Rothschild, 1826-1877;
Obligations and condolences on the death of Bettina, 1892.

Miscellaneous papers:
Menu cards and table plans, 1906-1914;
Biography of Mayer Amschel Rothschild, 1813;
Correspondence of Clancier von Rothschild, 1909-1933;
Personal correspondence of
Albert von Rothschild, 1859-1910;
Correspondence of Eugene von Rothschild and his wife, 1925-1932;

Children's essays and school reports, 1854-1908;
Catalogue of some of the collection of artworks of Nathaniel von Rothschild, 1903;
Photographs of members of the Rothschild family, c.1903-1937.

3. FAMILY PAPERS RELATING PRIMARILY TO THE FRENCH ROTHSCILD FAMILY (000/1037)

Inventories:
Inventories following the death of
Alphonse de Rothschild, 1903;
Inventory following the death of James Mayer de Rothschild, 1869;
Inventory following the death of
Guillaume de Rothschild, 1912.

Wills and winding up of estates:
Copies of wills of Anselm Mayer, 1813-1885, including 'legislation' of
the Frankfurt house;
Will of Adèle, Baronne Salomon, 1922;
Succession of Adèle, 1887-1891;
Succession of Gustave, 1912.

Birth, marriage and death certificates for various members of the family:

Rothschild Foundations:
Statutes for the Carl Mayer & Alexandre de Rothschild Foundation to help Jewish Schools, 1858;
List of various foundations created by
Wilhelm Carl in Frankfurt, 1901;
Details of legacies and donations from Julie and Adolphe, 1899-1908;
Building work for the Salomon de Rothschild Foundation, 1866-1888;
Donation by Alphonse to create the Bettina de Rothschild Foundation for New Mothers, 16 Dec 1892;
Acquisition of land in Paris to build Jewish schools and
seminaries, 1876-1879.

Property documents:
Plots and title deeds relating to
23-25 avenue Marigny, Paris, 1897-1924;
Auction-purchase of Hotel Talleyrand, 2 rue St. Floreain, Paris, 27 June 1838;
Title deeds and acquisition details for various properties in Cannes, 1881-1913;
Title deeds for avenue du Faubourg St. Honoré, 1767-1848;
Title deeds for 13 avenue de Marigny, 1829-1869;
Plans and title deeds re property in Chantilly, 1873-1897;
Property in Paussil, 1839-1875, building work undertaken at
23 avenue Marigny, 1875-1877;
Grant of plots in the Père Lachaise cemetery, Paris, 1884-1882.

4. A COLLECTION OF PAPERS FORMERLY IN THE POSSESSION OF EMMA, LADY ROTHSCILD (1844-1935) (000/972)

Typescript copy of will of Lionel de Rothschild, 1865;
Copy will of Carl Mayer von Rothschild, 1892;
Copy will of Louise, widow of
Mayer Carl von Rothschild, 1892;
Copy will of Bertha Clara, Princesse de Wagram (née Rothschild), 1903;
List of items from the estate of Adolphe de Rothschild bequeathed to Carl, Lionel and Wally, n.d.:
Copy marriage certificate of Nathaniel de Rothschild and Emma Louisa, n.d.:
Legal opinion and other papers re their marriage settlement;
Inventory of Lady Rothschild's jewels, n.d.:
Schedule of deeds of the Champsleys Estate, 1905;
Deed of gift from Lady Rothschild to the Trustees of the Tring Nursing Home of land for the erection of a home, 1891,
List of Lady Rothschild's companions, 1914;
Summary of the estate of Lady Rothschild, deceased, c.1935;
Copy deed of endowment of the Clementine Children's Hospital, Frankfurt, 1887, and other associated papers;
List of plate from Frankfurt at 14 Piccadilly, 1887;
Deed of gift of collection of
birds' eggs from Lionel Walter Rothschild to his brother Nathaniel Charles, 1891.

5. PAPERS RELATING TO THE LIFE AND CAREER OF BETHSÁBÉ (BAT-SHEVA) DE ROTHSCHILD (1914-1999) (000/1010)

Passports, ID cards etc., 1914-1992;
cards and letters from family members;
Photographs;
Correspondence from dancers, 1950-1995; essays, poems and memoirs, n.d.

Business papers:
Records of the Bar-Dor dance company, 1962-1998;
Batsha de Rothschild Fund for the Advancement of Science in Israel, 1958-1999.

6. A COLLECTION OF ROTHSCILDSANA BROUGHT TOGETHER BY BARONESSE ILLÉ DE ROTHSCHILD (000/941)

Inventory of the collection of Max von Goldschmidt-Rothschild returned by the Frankfurt authorities, 1949;
Music composed by Mathilde von Rothschild;
Music dedicated to Baroness Alphonse de Rothschild;
Unpublished typescript account of the female descendants of the Rothschild family and their offspring;
Miscellaneous correspondence, photographs and published materials.
7. OTHER ACQUISITIONS

Microfilm of seven reports on British commerce and industry sent by Lionél de Rothschild, Austrian Consul-General, to Metternich, 1838. Originals held in the Haus- Hof- und Staatsarchiv, Vienna (Staatskanzlei, Notenwechsel mit der Hofkanzlei, Kart. 231) (000/986).

Stockbroker's tokens of John Ashby of J. Bartholomew Lane, issued between 1824 and 1834 and bearing, on the obverse, the figure of a bull with the head of Nathan Mayer Rothschild, and on the reverse, a bear with the head of Moses Moscato (identified by J.B. Caldecott, The Stock Exchange Christmas Annual, 1905-6, as dating from between 1824 and 1834) (000/939).

Decorative pre-printed one-penny envelope addressed to N M Rothschild & Sons at New Court, 1840. The allegorical design by W. Mulready, engraved by J. Thompson, shows Britannia sending forth messengers to various parts of the world (000/1028).

Printed pamphlet: La réponse de Rothschild 1er roi des juifs à Satan, dernier roi des imposteurs, Paris, 1846 (000/1038).

Printed Parliamentary Papers: Correspondence respecting the affairs of Egypt (Consulat, 1850), incorporating papers re Egyptian finances and the Rothschild loans of 1877 (000/1033).

Bond for the 1889 4½% Russian Consolidated Railroad Loan, issued by N M Rothschild & Sons (000/1032).


Rectangular commemorative plaque for the Assemblée Générale des Actionnaires of the Paris-Lyon-Méditerranée Railway, 1901, by L.O. Rotty; allegorical obverse, reverse shows exterior of the Gare de Lyon, Paris (000/1073).

Photographic plate carrying portrait study of Laura-Thérèse de Rothschild (1847-1931), at the Villa Madrid, Cannes, 1902 (000/1000).

Letters to Rozsika Rothschild regarding the welfare of Hungarian prisoners-of-war in Britain and Russia, 1916-1926 (000/988).

Share certificate for 100 francs in the Société Immobilière du Domaine de Rothschild, Grasse, 21 June 1926 (000/1012).

Seal die of the Palestine Jewish Colonisation Association (PICAJ) (000/993).

Two bonds with coupons for £1 10s each for the Actionnaires of the Paris-Lyon-Méditerranée Railway, 1901, by L.O. Rotty; allegorical obverse, reverse shows exterior of the Gare de Lyon, Paris (000/1073).

Printed volume: Bernard Palissy et son étoile (collection Edouard de Rothschild), 1952; Catalogue by Serge Grandjean, Biography by Germaine de Rothschild and Preface by Pierre Verlet (000/995).


Photographs of Cistelek, home of the Wertheimstein family in Hungary, 2001, of the foundation stone of the Šéchenyi Chain Bridge, Budapest, 2001 and copy photograph of Rozsika Rothschild as a young woman, n.d. (000/945 and 953).

PhD Thesis submitted to the University of Valladolid by Pedro Ortúñea Consórcio, El proceso de nacionalización de las ferrocarriles españoles. Historia de las grandes compañías ferroviarias, 1853-1945, on the nationalisation of the Spanish railway network (000/1012).

PhD Thesis submitted to the University of Vienna by Felicitas Kunth, Die Genügsamkeiten der Österreichischen Züge der Rothschild-Familie (000/1158).

Album of photographs of the topping-out ceremony for the reconstruction of No.1 St Swithin's Lane, London, part of the premises of N M Rothschild & Sons Limited, together with silver trowel used on the occasion, 5 April 2001 (000/968 and 900/1008).