

THE BARING ARCHIVE

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- 1.1 **1821 10 Aug, Laurence Pountney Lane:** Joshua Marryat to Swinton Colthurst Holland
Enclosing a note from a confidential friend about the business of real estate in Trinidad
- 1.2 **1823 10 Mar:** Minutes of a meeting of creditors of Agassiz Son & Co Barings was a creditor; NM Rothschild and George Rougemont appointed trustees of the affairs of Agassiz Printed
- 1.3 Not used
- 1.4 **1827 22 Feb, Paris:** H Ternaux to [unnamed correspondent]
A bill for books bought; impending journey to USA and South America; asks for letters of introduction in the latter
- 1.5 Not used
- 1.6 **1828 1 Jan, London:** Robert Staples to Barings
Order to pay bearer £87.10 on Staples's account
- 1.7 **1828 19 Jun, Copthall Court:** Durant & Co to WS Burn
Engagement in sale of silk
- 1.8 **1831-64, London Docks:** Rules for a Committee of three directors, two of whom are to be in daily waiting at the docks
Method of keeping the rota of duty; scale of fines for non-performance of duty
1846: Barings New York packet ship to use the docks
1864: On the death of Joshua Bates; reserving his place on the board for another partner of Barings
Note: The purpose of the Committee was to answer questions from merchants and others relating to the business of the dock; and to supervise the business of the dock court and committee. Joshua Bates was a director of the docks
See HC7.13
- 1.9 **1831 2 Aug, London:** Copy of a certificate, signed by Joshua Bates, certifying his possession of a quarter part of the ship Elbe, on a voyage to Havana
- 1.10 Not used
- 1.11 **1832-39, London, Ireland, Scotland and Paris:** Miss E Caton to J Bates
Requesting purchase on her behalf of Buenos Aires and Spanish bonds, and other stock; social news
Note: Miss Caton married 8th Baron Stafford in 1836
- 1.12 **1832 24 Oct, 11 Langbourne Chambers:** L Anichins to J Bates
Complaining about Barings' refusal of his cheque, and their general treatment

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1.13 **1832 7 Dec, Paris:** GR Russell to J Bates
Letters from Manila received via Salem, Massachusetts, considerable improvement in many varieties of British goods; much demand, notably for long cloths, brown and bleached cambrics, muslin handkerchiefs, broad cloths, laces, sheet copper, pig lead; prices of sugar, hemp, coffee, tortoise-shell at Manila

1.14 Staff of Barings

The documents concerning the staff have been arranged in four sub-classes:

1. House memoranda about conditions of service, duties, salaries; salary books; and other staff accounts
2. Documents concerning the engagements of members of the staff
3. Personal letters on staff matters
4. Miscellaneous

From 1816 until his death on 27 Dec 1827, the partner chiefly concerned with the routine of the counting-house, and thus with the staff, was Swinton Colthurst Holland. His place was taken by Joshua Bates, who became a partner in 1828

Documents as follows:

1.14.1 House Memoranda concerning conditions of service duties, salaries, etc:

Note: For an account of payments of salaries to the staff, 1817-27, and notes thereon by SC Holland, see AC7.6.ff. 66-72

1. **1824:** Memorandum by SC Holland. ‘...employt. for C. House’
Clerks named, with duties of each
2. **c1824:** Memorandum by SC Holland
‘Regulations for Clerks and form of a letter to be written by those Clerks who enter our service’
3. **1824:** ‘Conditions required from Clerks entering into the service of BB&Co’
Office copy of HC1.14.1.2, endorsed in hand of SC Holland
4. **1824 Apr:** Memoranda in hand of SC Holland
‘Memorandum of Rules for C. house - read to Ferdinand Thomas - a Clerk engaged to enter our service in June 1824’
- 4a. **1826 Oct:** Memorandum in hand of SC Holland
‘Memorandum for Counting House employment’

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5. **1830 Jan:** Memorandum, endorsed by J Bates
'List of Clerks. Duties, salaries, etc'
6. **c1831 Nov:** Memorandum by J Bates
A summary of the duties of the different departments of the house, and the names of those discharging them
7. **1834:** List of clerks, with classifications and salaries
8. **1836-37:** Memorandum by J Bates of salaries paid to named clerks; first, second and third grades
9. **1847 2 Mar, General Post Office, London:** Postmaster General to Barings
Asking for details of salaries paid by Barings to their staff, being part of a survey of rates and pay to officers and clerks in banking and commercial houses in London
10. **1873 Sep-1874 Mar:** [Daily Attendance Book?]
A volume containing signatures of [it seems] women members of the staff, to signify their attendance day by day

Note: The first entry is as follows: 'Wednesday 3rd Sept 73. JE Maryman, Laura Windus, Eliza Windus, Ellen Gater, E Campbell, MA Bentley'.
The other entries are similar, but the number of names increases
11. **1877 Dec-1880 Aug:** 'Baring Brothers & Co Salary Book'
A volume containing weekly statements of salaries [or wages?] due to [or paid to?] women members of the staff

The first entry is as follows:

1877 Dec 29

Miss Maryman	1.10
Campbell	1.00
Fuller	17
Etheridge	15
Gurney	15
Bentley	15
Windus	15
Windus L	15
Middleton	15
Hazel	15
	£8.12

All the statements are initialled by Miss Maryman, Miss Campbell or Miss Fuller

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12. **c1890-1950:** Records of service of women members of the staff from 1873 to c1950. Dates of entry to and leaving Barings; salaries; cause of leaving; scholastic qualifications
- 1.14.1 cont
13. **nd:** Records of service, 1894-1938, of men members of the staff. Giving dates of entry and of joining the permanent staff
14. **1903 27 May:** Publication of a fixed scale of annual holiday leave, based on length of service Printed
15. **1915 Jul:** Regulations for women clerks. Hours, attendance books, coupon room, holidays, illness, visitors Printed 5 copies
16. **1919 14 Nov:** 'Baring Brothers, Regulations relating to Pensions' Printed with typescript copy
18. **1926 Mar:** Sun Life Assurance Society, Employers and Staff Superannuation. Outline of a scheme of contributions by employer and employed Printed 24 pp
19. **1897 1 Oct:** Exhortation by the directors to the men members of the staff to observe the rules of attendance of the office Printed with reprint of the Rules issued 1 Jun 1845
20. **1926 18 Jan:** 'Attendance Return 1926'; being a memorandum on the unpunctuality of a small number of members of the staff, and rules for future conduct Typescript
21. **1929 18 Jul:** Explanation of a scheme for opening deposit accounts for members of the staff Typescript
22. **1930 16 Dec:** Memorandum on the issue to members of the staff of 4.5% non-cumulative preference shares; with answers to queries on the working of the scheme, and a printed resolution concerning the issue of the shares to be submitted to an extraordinary general meeting of the company, 30 Dec 1930
23. **1929 30 Jun:** Memorandum, initialled 'JGR' addressed to the directors concerning rates of overtime in force, and proposals for revision; with a table of rates in force and proposed Typescript
Note: 'JGR' was JG Roberts, a manager.
24. **1935 22 Jul:** Notice of rates and conditions of overtime Typescript
25. **1946 24 May:** Notice of rates and conditions of overtime approved by the directors
26. **1899-1922:** Women Staff. Accounts of Luncheon Room 1 vol

The accounts are:

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- (i) **1899 Nov-1902 Feb:** Weekly Dinner Money, giving names of subscribers and amounts; expenditure on items of food
 - (ii) **1903-16:** 'Dripping Money', relating to sale of dripping; expenditure on presents to the two waitresses, etc
 - (iii) **1907-22:** Collection for the waitresses at Christmas
27. **1916-31:** Documents concerning the formation and functioning of 'The Luncheon Committee' (Women Staff)
28. **1923 4 Oct:** Exhortation to the staff of the coupon department to increase the efficiency of the department; with rules for its conduct
Typescript
29. **1924:** 'Women Clerks 1924. Revised Memorandum on Grading of Salaries'; naming departments and appointments within departments
30. **c1926:** Women Clerks. Memorandum of grades, commencing salaries, increases, and pensions
Typescript
31. **1926 18 Feb:** Women Clerks. Memorandum on increases in salaries
Typescript
32. **1926 11 Mar:** Women Clerks. Recommendation for the fixing of maximum salaries; with names, departments, and appointments therein
33. **1939 3 Jan:** Benevolent Fund (Women Staff). Statement of receipts and expenditure of the fund for the year ended 31 Dec 1938
Typescript
34. **nd:** Coupon Department Deposit Account. Rules and method of working the account
Typescript
- With note, 1946: 'Originally known as Mr Hollings' Bank and started by him sometime before 1912... to be closed 31.12.46'
- Note:** GC Hollings was for many years secretary of John, 2nd Lord Revelstoke
35. **1943 6 Apr:** Extract from a letter from Ian Mackintosh, General Manager. About women members of the staff who become war-widows, and their employment after the war
36. **c1887-90:** Barings 'Scale of Commissions to be charged in American and European Accounts current'; being house instructions for account keepers. Printed; 6 documents
37. **1857-1938:** Barings 'Accounts Current'

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Nominal lists of members of the staff allotting to each his duties in closing the firm's books at the end of each year. Many of the lists belonged to John Kidd and some are annotated by him - eg that for 1908: 'Thank goodness I don't appear herein'. 114 documents; missing 1858, 1860-65, 1868, 1870-72, 1875, 1914-20, 1924.

38. **1905 London:** List of Staff Christmas Bonuses 5 pieces

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39. **1904 London:** Barings with the Inland Revenue. Relates to an enquiry concerning a payment of £500 by Barings to the wife of WEB Haled

1.14.2.

Engagement of Staff:

Note: From 1824, each applicant was required to sign the pro-forma letter See HC1.14.1.2 above

The letters are as follows:

1. **1816 21 Feb, London:** Thomas Boys
The test-letter written by him for entry into Barings; endorsed by SC Holland: '1816 Feb 29 - Mr Baring agreed with the writer of this letter to come as correspondent Clerk at a salary of £300 per annum...'
2. **1821 28 Feb, Paris:** E Babut to PC Labouchere in London
Agreeing to enter Barings as a clerk in the French Department; salary £200 per annum
3. **1824 20 May, London:** George Wilson to Barings
On becoming a clerk; salary £100; with specimen of his handwriting
4. **1825 24 Jan, London:** Martin Tupper to Barings
On becoming a clerk; salary £80 per annum; endorsed by SC Holland: 'left our service 14 April'
5. **1825 25 Jan, London:** James Darier to Barings
On becoming a clerk; salary £100 per annum
6. **1826 4 Oct, London:** JS Macdermot, the younger, to Barings, on becoming a clerk at Barings; salary £150 per annum; endorsed by SC Holland: 'retired Oct 13'
7. **1826 20 Oct, London:** Charles Blake to Barings
On becoming a clerk at Barings; salary £120 per annum; with letters of reference
8. **1827 17 Apr, London:** W Golding to Barings
On becoming a clerk; salary £80 per annum
9. **1831 19 May, London:** Manuel de Corral to Barings
On becoming a Spanish clerk in Barings; salary £100 per annum

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10. **1831 16 Sep, London:** John William Barr to Barings
On becoming a clerk; salary £80 per annum
11. **1831 8 Nov, London:** Joseph Echalez to Barings
Accepting a situation as a corresponding clerk; salary £200 per annum
- 1.14.2 cont
- 12a. **1832 Apr, London:** Correspondence with James H Levin, on his engagement to supervise the Wool Department of Barings; duties specified; salary £500 per annum
- 12b. **1836 1 Jul:** J Cunningham to Barings
About placing his son in the Liverpool House; endorsed by J Bates: 'This boy to be taken in December'
13. **1845 5 Feb, Pontefract:** Thomas Davison Bland to Barings
On placing his son, Philip Bland with Barings
14. **1847 20 Oct, Wolsingham, Durham:** John Blacklock (ironmaster) to Barings
On the occasion of his stepson, William George Turnbull, joining the staff of Barings
15. **1849 4 Mar, Malta:** Sam Christian to Thomas Baring
Thanking him for giving his son, George Christian, a place on the staff at Barings
16. **1860 1 Dec, London:** Herman H Krause to Barings
Having been a clerk in the House 1841-42 [see HC1 14.3.23] requests to return; with a note of his intervening employment
17. **1868 26 Aug, Huntingdon:** J Balfour to Thomas Baring
Thanking him for accepting H Pawson as a clerk
18. **1871 Jan, Exeter:** Sir Stafford and Lady Northcote to Thomas Baring
Thanking him for giving their son Oliver, aged 16, a post at Barings; arrangements for him to start work
19. **1896 9 Dec, Amsterdam:** GH de Marez Oyens, of Labouchere Oyens & Co, Amsterdam, to Barings
Thanking for Barings' attention to him when he was under training as a member of the staff
20. **1897 Aug, London & Boulogne:** Leon David, senior French correspondent at Credit Lyonnais, London Office, to Barings
His application to be appointed French correspondent at Barings; his qualifications and salary requirement

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21. **1897 Oct, Manchester:** Reverend SD Rees, and his son H Baring Rees
Their applications for a place on the staff for the son; and indignation at not being immediately successful

Note: Their confidence had been based on the friendship of the father with Thomas Charles Baring, who had stood godfather to the son. He had died in 1891.

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22. **1897 31 Dec, Paris:** Jean Davillier to Barings
Letter of thanks on his return to Paris after a period of several months spent as a member of the staff
23. **1905, London and elsewhere:** Bernard E Evans and others with Barings
Relates to his application for employment, his references, and medical statements

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Personal Letters on Staff Matters:

1. **1830 20 Sep, London:** Thomas Boys to Alexander Baring
Stating his claim to an annual increase in salary of £10; basing his claim on a verbal promise given by Alexander Baring in 1823; with Alexander Baring's answer
2. **1830 Sep, London:** E Babut to Barings
Stating his claim to an annual increase in salary of £10; with Alexander Baring's reply
3. **1831 5 Apr:** Thomas Boys to Barings
A statement of, and apology for, his part in 'the late unfortunate affair'

Note: Boys was head of the English Department. The affair was his dispute with Mr Blake, head of the Spanish Department. It arose from a correspondence with Welsh & Co about payment of dividends of the Mexican loan. There was some confusion, and both Boys and Blake claimed the correspondence for their respective departments. It reached its climax when Boys and Blake came to blows in the wash-room. As a result, Blake left Barings (see HC1.14.3.4), but Thomas Boys, who had entered the House in 1816, remained

4. **1831 9 Apr, Hastings:** Charles Blake to Barings
Following his dismissal from Barings on account of his dispute with Thomas Boys: asking that, in his final salary, consideration may be given to his four years service to the House

Endorsed by J Bates: 'Settled with him offering him £5.10 beyond, which he refused, 13 April' See also HC7.13

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5. **1831 9 Dec, Bremen:** DH Watjen to J Bates
Asking that his son may be given a position in Barings
 6. **1831:** Memorandum by J Bates
'Pretensions of some of the Clerks'; being claims for increases in salary See HC1.14.3.1-2
 7. **1832-50:** Correspondence with Charles le Soeuf
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- 7.1. **1832 15 Feb:** C le Soeuf to J Bates complaining of inadequate salary; with Bates's answer
 - 7.2. **1846-48 London**
Correspondence with J Bates after C le Soeuf had left Barings. He left in Mar 1846 because he was being interrupted in his work by the noisy talk of other members of the staff. He did not find it easy to get other employment, and the partners gave him money at different times to tide him over
 - 7.3. **1850 31 Oct:** C le Soeuf to J Bates
Thanking J Bates for money sent; wishing to find commercial employment in connection with the forthcoming 'Industrial Exhibition'
8. **1832 23 Feb, Clapton:** William Gentry to J Bates
Requesting that his pension may be raised from £200 to £250 per annum, 'remembering the length of my services and the assiduity and fidelity with which I have fulfilled the arduous situations I have sustained...'; with Bates's answer, on behalf of the House, that no increase could be made

Note: For William Gentry see HC1.14.1
9. **1832-35 Paris:** E Babut to Barings
The writer's illness; regrets he cannot return to the House immediately; financial arrangements for his wife and family in London; his return in Oct 1832; cessation of his annuity
 10. **1836 18 Feb, London:** A Rushton to Barings
Asking for his brother to be reinstated on the staff of Barings, having left the house through illness. Endorsed by J Bates: 'NB the said brother is good for nothing'
 11. **1837 25 Mar, St James's Palace:** Thomas Postan to John Baring
About his son, who was on the staff of Barings and had run away, and was now withdrawn from the firm by his father
 12. **1839 13 Dec, Tansor:** CA Wheelwright to Barings
Complaining of Barings' treatment of his son, Spencer Wheelwright, who had been a member of the staff

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13. **1847 25 May, London:** Thomas Williams to Joshua Bates
Following his dismissal from Barings for absence without leave
14. **1847 21 Sep, Liverpool:** George Glynn to Barings
After 10 years service with Barings, Liverpool, seeks to enter a commission business in New Orleans. With copy of J Bates' reply
15. **1848 7 Jan, East Bergholt, Suffolk:** Reginald P Cosserat, late of Barings, to J Bates
Regretting having left the service of Barings; asking to be reinstated
16. **1848 3 Jun, London:** RW Cousens to J Bates
Having left the service of Barings in Feb 1848, he now asks for his salary for 1847 which had not yet been paid to him
17. **1849 31 Mar, Hornsey:** W Reynolds, late of Barings, to Barings
Explaining his quarrel with his superior, Mr Holland, which had led to the dismissal of W Reynolds; excusing his conduct; condemning that of Mr Holland
18. **1844-60, London:** Affairs of Charles Blake

1844-48
Blake was dismissed from Barings in 1831. In 1834, at his request, he was employed by the House as an agent for the purchasing of brandy. This correspondence concerns his dispute with Barings over payment of commission to him See HC1.14.3.4

1860
Blake had been asked to write the Report of the Committee of the House of Commons on Merchant Shipping. He asks Thomas Baring to recommend him to the Chairman of the Committee
19. **1844 11 Feb, London:** Herbert Spring to Barings
Asking for a report on the service of his younger brother, Francis Spring, who for eleven years was on the staff of Barings before being appointed Postmaster in Hong Kong
20. **1847 12 Apr, London:** A Crosbie to Barings
Seeking employment; his qualifications
21. **1847 7 Oct, Montauoan:** Adele Babut, widow of E Babut, to Thomas Baring
About her husband's death and his pension. With T Baring's reply.
For E Babut see HC1.14.3.2 & 9
22. **1839-66, Warminster:** Robert Robertson, Agent at Stratton Park, to Thomas Baring and to J Bates

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About his son, Robert Robertson, a member of the staff of Barings, who was dismissed in 1844 for embezzlement; and about his other sons William H Robertson and James Robertson, of William Harrison & Co, merchants of Rio de Janeiro. For James M Robertson as Manager of Barings' estates in Ceylon see HC6.3.7

1850: New York Merchants Exchange See also HC5.2.23

1851: About James Robertson's partnership in Ceylon See also HC6.3.7

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1852-54: Estate matters; proposal that Richard Baring should go as a clerk to James Robertson in Ceylon

1866 Nov-Dec, Pisa: Robert Robertson, son of Robert Robertson, to Thomas Baring
The writer's efforts to see some return on his capital invested in Grant & Co of Trieste and Leghorn. See also HC12.2

23. **1841 28 Nov, Memel:** Eduard Krause to Barings
About his son, Herman Krause, a member of Barings
24. Not used
25. **1848 27 Sep, Paris:** Anna de Palezieux Falconnet to Barings
Asking that her son Francis de P Falconnet, a member of the staff, may be advanced money from her account at Barings
26. **1850 3 Dec, Paris:** M Casariera to Barings
About his nephew who had become a member of Barings' staff; his qualifications
27. **c1850:** E Lestapis to Barings
Asking to be excused from attendance at the office on account of the death of his brother, 'an officer in the African army'
28. **1851 Feb:** Ann Koch, widow of a former member of the staff, to Barings
Her reduced circumstances after the death of her husband; pension arrangements
29. **1851 Oct-Nov, Hackney:** Thomas Gentry to Thomas Baring
Asking for a reference in getting a business appointment in the City
30. **1853 14 Jan, London Lane, Hackney:** Thomas John Gentry to J Bates
Thanking J Bates for a gift of £10
31. **1853 21 Feb, Hackney:** John Barber to Barings

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Reporting on the reduced circumstances of John Gentry and his family; J Gentry's desire to emigrate to Australia if he could raise the money

- 1.14.3 cont
- 32. **1852 8 Jan, Clapham:** John Holland to Barings
Requesting salary in advance to cover the expenses of his severe illness
 - 33. **1852 13 Feb, London**
Doctor's report on the bad state of health of John Holland, a member of the staff
 - 34. **1852 Jan-Oct, London:** Joseph D'Arcy Sir to Thomas Baring
Concerning the misconduct of his son, Henry Sir, a member of the staff
 - 35a. **1852 9 Jul, London:** H Detroyat to Thomas Baring
His reasons for quitting Barings and returning to France
 - 35b. **1852 13 Aug, King's Lynn:** Charles N Wodehouse to Barings
about his son who had recently ceased to be a member of the staff
- Note:** For Jutting see also HC10.28
- 37. **1853 16 Jun, Chelsea:** Peter Kruse to J Bates and Thomas Baring
Drawing their attention to the poverty of Mr Rochas, formerly a member of the staff, and his family
 - 38. **1853 3 Dec, 72 Cornhill:** Thomas Boys to Barings
Asking advice, in view of the likelihood of war, whether to keep or sell his Russian 5% stock See HC1.14.3.1 & 3
 - 39. **1855 18 Mar, Naples:** A Falconnet to J Bates
Concerning A Falconnet's son, who had been a member of the staff of Barings for four years, and was about to return home; endorsed by J Bates: 'Gave young Falconnet £50 on his leaving.' See also HC12.5
 - 40. **1845-55 London:** Paul Broe to Barings and to J Bates 2 letters

1845 11 Jan: Seeking advice on whether or not to accept an offer from Julius Bordier, of Austin Friars, of a post at £300 per annum with possible future advantages

1855 22 May: Returning the book, containing reports on London business houses, kept by him when a member of the staff
[The book is missing]

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41. **1860 Jun-Aug, Stoke Newington:** Ann Augusta Koch, daughter of [?] Koch and Ann Koch
Her difficulties in supporting herself and her brother, an invalid, following the death of her parents; Barings continue giving to her the pension paid to her parents See HC1.14.3.28
42. **1862-64 Brighton, and Passy, near Paris:** Ann Holland, widow of John Holland
Her illness and financial difficulties; asking for a pension on account of her husband's long service of 'near forty years' with Barings See HC 1.14.3.32 & 33
43. **1860 Nov, Amsterdam:** JG Sillem, a member of the staff, to Thomas Baring
His absence from Bishopsgate owing to the illness of his father [J Sillem?]; his father's health
44. **1863-67, London:** Paul Broe, a member of the staff who resigned c1855, to CB Young and to Thomas Baring. 2 letters

1863: Recommending an unnamed man to take the place of Charles Jutting at Barings

Note: Jutting was sent as Barings' representative to St Petersburg, 1863 See HC1.14.3.36 & HC10.28

1867: Broe's reduced circumstances; £25 given to him; his application for a post at the Bank of Rotterdam See HC 1.14.3.40
45. **1864 12 Feb, London:** Henry Kingscote to Thomas Baring
The dismissal of his son from the staff of Barings
46. **1864 30 Jul, London:** Sam Jepps to Barings
Thanking Barings for a present of money on behalf of his son, John Abel, a member of the staff who had suddenly become ill
47. **1865 27 Jan, London:** George P Temple to CB Young
Asking if he may draw his salary for January, having been absent during that month
48. **1865-66, London, etc:** Correspondence concerning the sudden mental illness of [?] Hewitt, a member of the staff for 38 years; Barings payment for his medical treatment; pension paid to his wife; she set up as a singing teacher
49. **1865-67, London:** Members of the Knapp family, following the death of their father, to Barings
Knapp was for many years a member of the staff [died 1 Jan 1865]; pension continued for his wife; her death; money given to their two daughters

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50. **1867 21 Feb, Paris:** G Bayer, after seven years service in the French Department of Barings, to Thomas Baring
Asking T Baring to recommend him to a business house in Paris; Bayer's reduced circumstances

Annotated by Thomas Baring 'Answered 25 Feb with 250 francs'
51. **1864 Feb, Broome Hall:** Mrs ML Labouchere, widow of John Labouchere, to Thomas Baring
Concerning her son Arthur, a member of the staff of Barings See HC8.1 [1863]
52. **c31 Dec 1867, 9 Bishopsgate:** William Hazel to Barings
His application to resign from the staff:
'... for some time I have felt myself unequal to my duties. I have been since 1828 in your employ two years with Mr J Bates and Mr J Baring and previous to that with Mr Henry Bromfield for 21 years
making altogether 63 years application to work and now at the age of 77 years I find that rest is needed...' Annotated by Thomas Baring 'Granted £400 a year due'
53. **[c1867-68] Friday, no place :** Hilton Keith to Barings
Explaining his absence from the office through ill-health; asking to be given sick-leave until the following Monday morning
54. **1871 12 Jan, Winchester:** JW Snelling with Barings
Seeking information about Mr Marquetti, a member of the staff
See HC1.14.3.58
55. **1871 29 Aug, Zeist [near Utrecht]:** CB Labouchere to Thomas Baring
Future arrangements for the career of his nephew, Henry Labouchere, at this time a member of the staff of Barings. For Henry Labouchere, see HC8.1 [1869]
56. **1872 Apr, Lewisham:** Robert H Walker, aged 69, to Thomas Baring
His financial and domestic troubles; seeking financial aid

Note: RH Walker's father had retired from the staff of Barings more than 30 years before; he had received a life pension of £250 per annum
57. **1872 Jun-Jul, Surbiton:** Mrs Mary A Turner to Thomas Baring and to Russell Sturgis
Thanking for money donated to her by the Barings. Mrs Turner's husband had been, it seems, a member of the staff
58. **1873 5 May, London:** Ellen Talbot, Mrs Marquetti, to Barings

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Thanking for the receipt of £50; asking for a small pension to take the place of that forfeited by her husband, who, after long service on the staff, had abandoned his family and his work and had gone abroad See also HC1.14.3.54

59. **1875-76, La Bouille, Seine Inferieure:** J Marquetti, aged 55, a member of the staff from 1852 until he quit in 1873
Appealing to be granted a pension, or lesser financial assistance
See also HC1.14.3.58

60. **1878 7 Nov, Greenwich:** Julius Page to Barings
Concerning his son-in-law, WG Turnbull, who was with the Weardale Iron Co [HC 3.94] until entering Barings, and who had now disgraced himself

Note: Julius Page, born c1800, was for 37 years a member of the staff

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61. **1885 14 Jan, London:** Ridout & Co, house agents, to Barings
Enquiring about the character of Harold Anthony Smith of Palace Chambers, Westminster, who had applied for the lease of a house; annotated by Francis H Baring 'Mr H A S is one of our senr. clerks and we shd. fancy quite good for his engagement'

62. **1885 28 Feb, Hammersmith:** Annie Edwards, widow of S Edwards 'recently deceased, having been a member of the staff for nearly 30 years', to Barings
Statement of her financial situation

63. **1891 4 May, [London]:** Henri Hottinguer to Barings
On leaving Barings after a period of training in the House

Note: Hottinguer was to go to New York for further training before joining Hottinguer & Co, Paris See HC7.13

64. **1892 13 Feb, Sutton, Surrey:** Richard Smerdon [perhaps a retired member of the staff] to Barings
Thanking for the receipt of £75 from Barings

65. Not used

66. **1892 May, Liverpool:** Parr's Banking Co Ltd, LSM Munro, manager, to Barings
Seeking reports on John S Warry and Edward Warry of Barings Liverpool, who had applied for situations at Parr's

Note: They were sons of John Warry, who, in 1892, had been for more than 50 years with Barings Liverpool See HC3.35 [1873] and Letter Book, 1892

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67. **1894 25 Nov, Brighton:** FH Dorey, a retired member of the staff, to Barings
Asking for assistance to find another post in business; his claim on his life insurance policy taken out when he was on the staff

68. **1895 14 Mar, Highgate, London:** Gertrude Middleton to WB Gair
Her retirement from the House on 8 Mar 1895 through failure of sight after 20 years work; her financial difficulties; her inability to save during her career, 'the first 9 years only receiving 15/- a week but since that time have been gradually raised to 30/-'; asking for remuneration; annotated by WB Gair: 'Sent £10. See private letter book' See HC1.14.1.11

69. **1895 4 Dec, Dalston:** WC Howson to Barings
Financial difficulties caused by sickness of his wife and daughters; seeking Barings' help in finding a better job.

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Note: See Letter Books for a photographic portrait of WC Howson; see DEP 218 where it is stated that he was a member of the staff 1897-99 and that he died 1953

70. **1879-1905:** Letters concerning William J Walpole, a member of the staff at least as early as 1873 See also AC29

1879 23 Aug: Dr PL Burchell to Barings
Walpole's precarious health; necessity of his resting at least 3 months

1880-96: No letters

1897-98: Agnes Walpole to Barings
Her husband's nervous breakdown, necessitating his prolonged absence from work; his financial entanglements; advances of salary by Barings, and their decision that Walpole should retire on pension; Mrs Walpole's financial situation See LB 88

1899: No letters

1900 Jan-Oct
Following the death of WJ Walpole; financial arrangements for his widow

1901: No letters

1902 23 Jan: Mrs Walpole to Barings
Seeking to borrow £2,000 to obtain a one third share in a nursing home

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1903 Jul: Extension of the financial arrangements of 1900 for a further two years; progress of Mrs Walpole's nursing home at York House, 20 Bryanston St., London W1

1904: No letters

1905 Jul: Extension of the financial arrangements of 1900 in view of her heavy liabilities; her letter of thanks

71. **1898-1904, London and Transvaal, S Africa:** Florence Artesani, widow of Francis P Artesani, formerly a member of the staff, to Barings

1898 Jan: The sudden death of her husband soon after his retirement from the house; her financial difficulties; Barings' decision to provide £75 per annum for three years

1901 Feb: Seeking an extension; the extension granted

1902: No letters

1903 Jan-Mar: Mrs Artesani in S Africa, seeking a further extension of the allowance; the extension granted

1903-04 Dec: In S Africa and seeking a renewal of her pension; her letter of thanks See also HC1.14.57

72. **1898 7 Aug, Brighton:** GA Hale Monro to Lord Revelstoke Unemployed, after leaving his post at Barings without notice; seeking help to enter some other house. Declined See LB 88

73. **1898 12 Oct, Aintree:** ET Knox, widow [probably of a former member of staff at the Liverpool House] to Thomas Baring The ill health of her daughter; seeking help in financing a healthy change of climate for her

Note: Answered by the offer of a bed, reserved for members of the staff, at St Andrew's Convalescent Home, Folkestone See LB 88

74. **1898-99, Santa Barbara, California:** From Sadie Grundy, widow of Grundy, formerly of Barings Liverpool, to Thomas Baring The death of her husband in 1891, having had to forgo his pension during the crisis of 1890; seeking financial aid from the restored fortunes of Barings; her financial difficulties 4 letters

75. **1899, 9 Jul:** EA Lockhart, head of Dividend Department, to Barings
A statement of the heavy nature of the work of his department, and asking to be provided with reliable help when in need of it

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Note: EA Lockhart entered the House 1855; he retired 1907 and died in 1928. For a photographic portrait of him see DEP 218

76. **1898-1900:** 'Papers in connection with the Costa Ricci frauds'.
One bundle
- a. **1899-1900:** Prospectuses, concessions and other documents relating to mining ventures in Mozambique, Philippine Islands, Brazil and Canada
 - b. **1898:** Accounts, including Costa Ricci's account with Stoop & Co
 - c. **1898-1900:** Cleared cheques used in Costa Ricci's operations; with a list of the cheques; total £31,162.13.1

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d. **1900 Sep-Oct:** Personal letters and papers, including:

6 Sept, London: A de Costa Ricci to his brother-in-law, Sydney Lewis of Pontardawe near Swansea, confessing his guilt and disclosing his method

Costa Ricci's wife, Ida, to Barings 2 letters

Memorandum by FH Baring on Costa Ricci's method of operating an account outside Barings

Note: Anselmo da Costa Ricci was a member of the staff, and his duties included keeping the Portuguese Ledger. Around 1898 he began to speculate heavily, particularly in the shares of mining companies, and took the firm's money to make good his losses. He absconded before being found out, but what became of him is not disclosed in the documents of 1900

77. **1901 Feb-Jun, London:** Miss Georgina Emily Dutton, aged 34, following her dismissal from the firm after 18 years service. 2 letters

78. **1901-04, London:** Mrs E Eckhardt, widow of Felix Eckhardt, who had recently died after seven years service, to Barings

1901: Seeking financial help; her reasons for not returning to Detmold her home town; an allowance given to her 3 letters

1904: Thanking Barings for their financial help

79. **1900 10 Mar, London:** FH Dorey to Barings Seeking an appointment in London or Liverpool; his inability to find permanent employment since leaving Barings in 1894

80. **1902-05 London:** William Self to Lord Revelstoke and others His failing faculties at the age of 71; his financial difficulties; asking for his pension to be restored

With a letter from FH Baring to WB Gair, 14 May 1902, giving his advice on what should be done; with a note of pensions paid to W Self and Mrs Frances A Self, widow of George Self

1905: W Self's increase in pension

Note: W Self retired in 1891, after 42 years service with Barings and was granted a pension of £200 per annum; ceased in 1893

81. **1902 11 Sep, Kensington Park:** Edith Middleton to Barings

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- Writing on behalf of her sister Gertrude Middleton who had worked for Barings for 20 years and left in 1895. Now ill and unable to work. Annotated '£10 sent personally by RK.H...'
82. **1901 9 Mar, Montevideo:** JG Ingouville to WB Gair
Concerning his son Francis who had been a member of the staff for 'nearly six years away from home'; asking that he might be released to pay a short visit to Montevideo with his brother, a student at St Batholomew's Hospital
- Note:** For a photographic portrait of Francis Ingouville see DEP 218
83. **1902 1 Aug, Eastbourne:** JM Gilchrist to Barings
His thanks for a cheque received as a leaving present after three years on the staff
84. **1904, London:** Keppel Creswill to Thomas Baring
Requesting a pension after acting as outside insurance broker to Barings for 50 years, in view of the great decline in his business
85. Not used
86. Not used
87. **1904-05, London:** KH Douglas to Barings
His retirement from Barings (1904) and his application (1905) for an increase in pension; his letter of thanks on it being granted. 2 letters
88. **1904:** ES Ringer to Barings
The grant of a pension on his retirement; his wish that Lord Revelstoke places his son on the list for employment at the Bank of England
89. **1905, London:** Mary Jago to Barings
Thanking Barings for a present she received on her retirement from the firm
- 1.14.4. Miscellaneous Letters, and Other Papers Concerning Staff:
1. **1815-16:** Letters concerning the settlement of the estate of G Kieckhoefer, insolvent debtor
- Note:** For Kieckhoefer see HC 1.14.1
2. **1824 31 Mar, Bristol:** Thomas & Joshua Hellicar to Barings
The character of Mr Thomas, whom Barings wished to employ as a clerk

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3. **1827 13 Apr, Worthing:** John Lewis Lamotte, and his hope of employment at Barings
4. **1830, Auguste [Clermont Ferrand?]:** JG Susskind, banker, to Barings
Asking for a temporary post at Barings for his son
5. **1832 27 Jul, Paris:** Hottinguer & Co to Barings
Recommending the bearer, Jules Renouard, for appointment as clerk in charge of the French Department at Barings
Note: In the absence of B Babut, see HC1.14.3.9
6. **1832:** Julius Page to Barings
Applications for position as clerk for exchange calculations; recommended by F Scheer
7. **1838 22-23 Nov, Bordeaux:** Bizat Sons & Roussel to J Bates and to Barings
About Mr Giraudy, a young man employed by Barings
8. **1839 9 Jul, Berehaven, Cork:** Clara Bundick to J Bates
About her son, Lieutenant John Bundick RN, employed by Barings, under the command of Captain St Croix See HC6.1.6
9. **1839 26 Jul, Liege:** F Classen to Barings
Seeking an appointment in a mercantile house in the East Indies
10. **1842 5 Dec, Florence:** T Kerrich to Thomas Baring
Introducing William Bonnin, who wished to make a career as a merchant
11. **1847 19 Feb, Liverpool:** William S Bird to Barings
Seeking to be appointed director of Barings Liverpool, in the place of SS Gair, who had recently died
12. **1847 Jun, King's Lynn:** Robert Carr to Barings
Reports from referees in his application for a junior clerkship at Barings
13. **1848 22 Nov, Gothenburg:** James Dickson to J Bates
Asking for temporary employment, without salary, for Eskill Fahrons, nephew of the Governor of Gothenburg
14. **1844 7 Oct, Cherbourg:** Nicholas Webb, Lieutenant RN, aged 54
Seeking employment at Barings
15. **1845 10 Mar, Frankfort:** V Edmund Keller to Barings
Seeking employment at Barings; his qualifications

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16. **1845, London:** Arthur Bentley to Barings
Seeking employment
17. **1846 16 Apr, Amsterdam:** D Van der Swan to Barings
Seeking employment; his qualifications
- 1.14.4 cont 18. **1846 3 Oct, Stuttgart:** Royal Bank of Wurttemberg to Barings
Recommending Charles Brand, clerk, for employment
19. **1847 14 Jan, Auguste:** George Chretien Haag, member of the
staff of JA Susskind, to Barings
Seeking employment with Barings; his qualifications See
HC1.14.4.4
20. **1847 20 Feb, Bristol:** WE Acraman, aged 47, to Barings
Seeking employment at Barings; his qualifications
21. **1847 30 Dec, London:** H Borrelly-Linaal to Barings
Seeking employment
22. **1851 23 Aug, Berlin:** FA Carl to Barings
Seeking to fill the vacant situation at Barings of English, French
and German correspondent; his qualifications
23. **1851 3 Nov, Brighton:** John Labouchere to Thomas Baring
Seeking a post for William Deacon with Barings
24. **1856 10 Jun, Zeist, Holland:** CB Labouchere to Barings
Recommending Hugo von Froelich as a clerk for Barings' foreign
correspondence
25. **1857 28 Apr, Le Havre:** AP Dietz, assistant in the USA
Consulate, Le Havre to Barings
Seeking employment as a clerk in the House; USA citizen, age 23;
his qualifications
26. **1859 22 Apr, Amsterdam:** F Van de Oudemeulen to Barings
Seeking a post as a clerk in the House for JF van Campen
27. **1859 27 Jul, Cork:** William A Cummins, son of Nicholas
Cummins, to Barings
Application for a post as clerk in the House; his qualifications See
also HC3.15
28. **1860 28 Jan, London:** J Schmidt to Barings
Seeking employment in the House; age 35; his qualifications
29. **1860 6 Nov, London:** E Bernouille to Barings
Seeking employment in the House, having wound up a business of
his own; age 50

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30. **1861 15 May, London:** Philip Baker to Barings
Requesting to be employed on a mission to Manila, or in a foreign department of the House
31. **1861 8 Jan, Geneva:** William Sillem to Thomas Baring
Seeking a post at Barings for his son Hermann; his qualifications
32. **1858 14 Jun, Strasbourg:** P Hasenclever to Barings
Seeking an appointment as a clerk in the House; his qualifications
33. **1861 20 Nov, Amsterdam:** ADJ Penn to Barings
Seeking to join the House as foreign correspondent; his qualifications
34. **1864 24 Jun, Newcastle:** Edmund Oldaker to Barings
Seeking an appointment at Barings; his qualifications
35. **1865 7 Sep, London:** HS Thornton to Barings
Seeking a post as clerk at Barings for a son of Dr Dealtry; his qualifications
36. **1866 9 Jun, London:** D Moncin, of the Bank of London, to Barings
Seeking an appointment at Barings on the suspension of the Bank of London
37. **1865 26 Jul, Buenos Aires:** Edward Thornton to Barings
Seeking a post at Barings for his stepson, William B Melville; his qualifications

Note: Edward Thornton was British Minister at Buenos Aires See HC4.1.45
38. **1870 19 Jan, Sandon:** Earl of Harrowby to Thomas Baring
Seeking an introduction for his nephew to Barings Liverpool
39. **1873 May-Jun, London:** WJ Bovill to Barings
Asking that his sons, aged 19 and 17, may be given employment with Barings; declined
40. **1876 22 Mar, Paris:** C von Hermert to Barings
Seeking a place in Barings for his eldest son, aged 18; his qualifications
41. Transferred to HC1.14.3.70
42. **1884 29 Feb, London:** Torrance McMicking, stock and share broker, to Edward Baring
The writer's suspension for four years from the floor of the Stock Exchange 'in consequence of my having dealt for your late clerk Mr

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Bouwer'; requests that Edward Baring will use his influence with the Committee of the Stock Exchange to get the punishment lightened

Note: For JRH Bouwer see HC1.14.4.43

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43. **1885-1900:** Letters from John R Hutte Bouwer to Barings and named partners
1885 Aug-Oct, Hastings: Report on the business of his firm, Hall & Co, millers and corn merchants, which had recently been acquired by JRH Bouwer; unsatisfactory state of affairs; efforts to improve the business; deterioration of the situation
- 1900 Jul Hurstbourne Tarrant, Andover**
Appeal for financial help; £50 received 3 letters
Note: Bouwer was employed by Barings for occasional work
44. **1899 15 May, Market Harborough:** Miss PG Symington to Barings
Requesting, on behalf of a young invalid, to have allotted to her the use of the bed at St Andrew's Home, Folkestone, normally reserved by Barings for the use of a member of the staff See HC1.14.3.73
45. **1899 16 Sep, Chichester:** Mrs Fanny Wilson to Barings
Her financial difficulties and those of her invalid husband since the death of her father, Henry Markby; seeking employment with Barings See HC3.103
46. **1939 cAug-Sep:** Cutting from the Daily Express, relating to the move of Barings from Bishopsgate to Stratton at the start of the Second World War. Deposited by Miss Angela Hoskins
47. **1900 23 Mar, Moseley, Worcs:** Miss A Muriel to WB Gair
Seeking to join Barings, being then senior ledger clerk, Birmingham District and Counties Bank, W Bromwich; aged 24
48. **1900 27 Apr, London:** JA Boyson to FH Baring
Seeking a place as a clerk for a niece of an old friend
49. **1900 3 Oct, London:** Henry Garratt, aged 75, formerly of Garratt & Gibbon & Sons, Portsmouth, to Barings
Seeking financial aid; his misfortunes
50. **1901 7 Dec, London:** Wernher, Beit & Co to Barings
Introducing Rene Van den Bemden with a view to his joining Barings
51. **1896 Jul, London & Liverpool:** William Bingham Baring and Hugh C Smith of the Ceylon Co to John Baring and other partners

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Concerning P de Chermont, manager of the Ooregalla Estate, Ceylon, formerly owned by Barings now owned by the Ceylon Co; his age [over 70] and necessity of his retirement; the question of a pension 4 letters

Note: For Barings' Ceylon Estates see HC6.3.7; for Ceylon Co see HC17.428

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- 1.14.4 cont
52. **1903 24 Jan, Saxmundham:** Felix W Warre to 2nd Lord Revelstoke
Thanking Lord Revelstoke for a cheque given to him after working for a time in the House, and for the opportunity to learn something about business in the City
53. **1903 17 Sep, Paris:** R Marchand to Barings
His letter of resignation from the House towards the close of a trial period of six months
54. **1903, London:** 2nd Lord Revelstoke with Colonel Henry Strealfield
Concerning the employment of Peter Stewart as a temporary clerk and the recommendation of the Commander in Chief, Lord Roberts
2 letters
55. **1904, Craigellachie, Scotland:** Arthur Baring to Barings
His application for employment 2 letters
56. **1904 Nov, London:** Sir Edward N Hamilton to Barings
Requesting if son of Frank Barnett of Reading could be employed as a clerk; Lord Revelstoke declines 2 letters
57. **1905-06, London & Liverpool:** H Artesani to Barings
His application for employment 5 pieces See HC1.14.3.71
- 1.15 **1833 16 Aug:** Memorandum of a proposal 'Loan operations in the United States, depending in a great degree on the support of London Houses... the two houses principally concerned... B & W to consult together...'; proposals for loans to be negotiated in the USA and the UK
- 1.16 **1833-34:** Memorandum of a proposed new entry book for loans accepted; with a specimen page of the proposed new book, which was to be printed as a pro forma, showing date of credit, details amount, how covered, etc
- 1.17 **1834 21 Aug, London:** Humphrey St. John Mildmay
Account from Jemmett & Co for £70, for 'a handsome new double bodied caned chair phaeton'; with details of construction and upholstery; settled 21 Aug 1834 See HC1.20.2
- 1.18 **1834 29 Aug, 60 Rue St Lazare:** Francis Baring to [Joshua M White]; copy
Concerning desire of John Hagan of Liverpool (client of White) to purchase from Mr Baring land in Mississippi at \$2 per acre; a question of a defective title

With copy of a note by Hagan, Liverpool, 1 Oct 1836, agreeing to terms of purchase
- 1.19 **1837 12 Jun, Baden Baden:** Rev PL Story to 1st Lord Ashburton

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Asking if he may invest part of his marriage settlement out of England, ie in Baden Baden; sending a cask of wine

Note: Story had married, 1806, Lydia Baring, youngest child of Sir Francis Baring, 1st Baronet, and sister of 1st Lord Ashburton

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Letters to the House from Partners of Baring Brothers & Co

Note 1: List of Partners from the foundation to 1890 [with notes]

	<u>Admitted</u>	<u>Left</u>
John Baring (1730-1816)	25 Dec 1762	31 Dec 1800 [retired]
Francis Baring (1740-1810)	25 Dec 1762	30 Jun 1804 [retired]
Charles Baring (1742-1829)	25 Dec 1762	31 Dec 1776 [retired]
Charles Wall (1756-1815)	1 Jul 1781	31 Aug 1809 [retired]
James Francis Mesturas	1 Jul 1781	1795? [retired]
Thomas Baring (1772-1848)	1 Jul 1804	31 Aug 1809 [retired]
Alexander Baring (1774-1848)	1 Jul 1804	31 Dec 1830 [retired]
Henry Baring (1776-1848)	1 Jul 1804	30 Jun 1823 [retired]
Thomas Nixon (c1752-1843)	1 Jul 1809	30 Jun 1828 [retired]
John Deacon	1 Jul 1809	30 Jun 1823 [retired]
Swinton Colthurst Holland (1770-1827)	1 Jul 1815	27 Dec 1827 [died]
Francis Baring (1800-1868)	1 Jul 1823	1864 [retired]
Humphrey St John Mildmay (1794-1853)	1 Jul 1824	31 Dec 1847 [retired]

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	Joshua Bates (1788-1864)	1 Jul 1828	24 Sep 1864 [died]
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	Thomas Baring (1799-1873)	1 Jul 1828	18 Nov 1873 [died]
	Charles Baring Young (1801-1882)	31 Dec 1843	30 Jun 1867 [retired]
	Russell Sturgis (1805-1887)	1 Jan 1851	1882 [retired]
	Edward Charles Baring (1828-1897)	1 Jan 1856	after 1890
	Henry Bingham Mildmay (1828-1905)	1 Jan 1856	after 1890
	Thomas Charles Baring (1831-1891)	1 Jan 1867	31 Dec 1888
	James Price	1 Jul 1867	31 Dec 1870
	Kirkman Daniel Hodgson (- 1879)	1 Jul 1867	31 Dec 1878 [retired]
	James Stewart Hodgson (- 1899)	1 Jul 1867	14 Jul 1899 [died]
	William Moir	1 Jul 1867	1870
	Charles Loyd Norman (- 1899)	1 Jul 1867	7 Feb 1889 [died]
	Robert Kirkman Hodgson	1 Jan 1882	after 1890
	Francis Henry Baring (1850-1915)	1 Jan 1882	after 1890
	John Baring (1863-1929)	1 Jan 1890	after 1890
	Archibald Norman	1 Jan 1890	after 1890

Note 2: Notes on the list of partners

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- 1.20 cont
1. The main source for compiling the list has been the articles of partnership and other deeds relating to the partnership, see LEG 39, see also HC1.46 and 93, and the Northbrook Papers, bundles NP1.A14-15. Another source used was a series of printed circulars 1823-67, sent out by the firm to notify customers of changes of partnership. See also letters from Partners which follow these notes in HC1.20. Dates of the lives of partners have been taken from Hidy, House of Baring, p43, or from Burke's Peerage, 1953
 2. **1762** The articles of partnership were dated 25 December. Business began on 1 January 1763
 3. **Charles Wall and James Mesturas** obtained limited salaried partnership in 1781, and were admitted as full partners in 1788
 4. **James Mesturas** seems to have continued as a nominal partner following 1805 without interest in the profit or loss
 5. **Thomas Baring (1772-1848)**. It is possible that he was a 'nominal partner' before 1804 See LEG 39.2
 6. **Thomas Nixon and John Deacon** had 'long been employed as clerks in the business' before their admission as partners on a 'restricted' basis in 1809, see LEG 39.6 and 8. Deacon was admitted to full partnership in 1815; but Nixon continued on a restricted basis. Nixon died in 1843 aged about 86, see HC20.6. For the date of Nixon's birth see Holland's Journal, Jul 1823
 7. **SC Holland** died from a heart attack in his room at 8 Bishopsgate
 8. **H St John Mildmay** married Anne Baring in 1823, eldest daughter of Alexander Baring. For the date of his entering the firm See LEG 39.12
 9. **Joshua Bates and John Baring (1801-88)** had been in partnership in London as Joshua Bates & John Baring since about 1826. In 1856 there was, it seems, a proposal that John Baring should resume his partnership in Barings but he never did See HC1.20.8
 10. **Charles Baring Young** was a member of the firm in London or Liverpool for about 40 years, see the biographical note under HC1.20.10
 11. **Russell Sturgis** was the grandson of the uncle of Joshua Bates' wife Lucretia [nee Sturgis]; he entered Barings in 1849 and became a partner in 1851
 12. **Thomas Baring (1839-1923)** after serving in the House in London went to Liverpool in 1870 as senior partner in place of James Price. When Kidder Peabody & Co became Barings' agents in the USA in 1885

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he became a partner in Kidder Peabody & Co. Subsequently became a director of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd

13. **Thomas Charles Baring** had recently been a partner in Ward, Campbell & Co, New York, see HC5.2.31, when he was appointed as a partner of Barings. Subsequently became Chairman of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd
- 1.20 cont
14. **KD Hodgson and JS Hodgson were brothers.** With William Moir and CL Norman they had been in partnership as Finlay, Hodgson & Co, with two other partners. On 1 Jul 1867 this firm 'formed a union' with Barings. Moir had retired by 1 Jan 1882
15. **Francis Henry Baring** was second son of the 1st Baron Northbrook. He entered the House in about 1879, for details of his resignation see LB91B, p65. Subsequently a director of BB&Co Ltd. Gaspard Farrer appointed in his place, 1 Jan 1902
16. **John Baring (1863-1929).** Eldest son of the 1st Baron Revelstoke. He entered the House in 1884. Subsequently a director of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd
17. **James Price's** name does not appear in the Partnership Agreement of 1867. He was a partner in the Liverpool House
- 1.20.1 **1774-1848, Alexander Baring, 1st Lord Ashburton**
Alexander Baring was second son of Sir Francis Baring, 1st baronet. In 1804 he became a partner and was senior partner in succession to his father, who died in 1810. Alexander retired 31 Dec 1830. He was created, Baron Ashburton [2nd creation] in 1835
1. **1828 27 Nov, Brighton:** Giving advice not to lose an opportunity which had arisen of managing an issue of Massachusetts stock; and about Mexican finance, investing £20,000 of his own in Mexican stock
 - 2a. **1828 15 Dec, The Grange, Alresford:** The poor grain harvests in England and France, and the effect on prices; Mexican finance
 - 2b. **1833 6 Sep, The Grange:** To Francis Baring Giving his advice on the proposal that Barings should make 'extensive and valuable connexions in India'; advises against founding a branch-house in India; comments on Gisborne & Co, see HC6.3.1; advises against a proposal that Thomas Baring should visit India
 - 2c. **1836 28 Sep:** Spanish government stock; dismal prospects

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- 3a. **1838 11 Jan:** Seeking to raise about £38,000 from his account at Barings for 'landed operations'
- 3b. **1838 7 Oct, The Grange:** About to leave England until Apr 1839, gives detailed instructions for the management of his income and expenditure during that period; specifications of expected income; specifications of certain annual and special payments to be made, including some £1,500 to WB Baring and to Lady Bath, and £3000 to Henry Baring
4. **1838 22 Nov, Nice:** News from Nice; the journey to Nice; H St J Mildmay and his young son, who were with Lord Ashburton; private finance; seeking news of Thomas Baring's electioneering at Yarmouth
5. **1839 28 Nov, Ramsgate:** Concerning a debt soon to be repaid to him and to Barings by the Duke of Palmella
6. **1844 1 Jan, Naples:** Personal finance; politics; allegations of British interference in the slavery question in Texas
7. **1844 13 Oct, The Grange:** To Joshua Bates
Personal finance; politics; railway speculation; Spanish stock
8. **1845 13 May, Piccadilly:** Personal business
- 9-12. **1846 Nov-Dec, The Grange:** The Russian agency; Baring's chance of obtaining this; advice on how to reply to the Russian proposal
- 13-17. **1847 cJan-Nov, London, Gosport and The Grange:** The Russian agency; Ireland; railways; financial policies of Sir Robert Peel; British government loan; spring of 1847; failure of Prime, Ward King & Co, see HC5.2.16
18. **1848 29 Apr, Longleat:** Personal business

1.20.2

1794-1853, Humphrey St John Mildmay

Letters to Alexander Baring and to Joshua Bates from Humphrey St John Mildmay

H St.J Mildmay was the fourth son of Sir Henry Paulet St John Mildmay, third baronet; married Anne Baring in 1823, eldest daughter of Alexander Baring, 1st Lord Ashburton, a partner 1824-1847

- 1a. **1828 27 Nov:** About Thomas Baring and the Bank of the United States

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- 1b. **1828 14 Dec, Hartfordbridge:** Buenos Aires finance and other business
2. **1829 11 Nov, Brighton:** Various business; de Gorostiza and the payment of the Mexican legation in London
3. **1831 18 Nov:** Corn operations of the French government, opposed by Alexander Baring; Bank of the United States
- 1.20.2 cont 4. **1834, Dogmersfield Park:**
nd: Informing Bates of his stay at Dogmersfield Park; wanting to hear about the partners' prospects in Yarmouth; allowing Mr Blore to draw £4000 on his account
11 Nov: Transfer of stock before 25th November
21 Dec: Russian loan: agreement for Barings to invest £500,000 in the stock; declining to stand for Parliament at East Surrey or Stroud, Glos; Thomas Baring's electioneering at Yarmouth
- 5a. **1836 Jul-Aug, Liege, and Marienbad**
- 5b. Personal news from Europe; Spanish stock
6. **1837 14 Mar, Wimbledon:** Concerning E Ericksen See HC3.16
7. **1837 31 Oct, Cowes:** Personal business
8. **c1840 11 Dec, Ramsgate:** American finance; the Bank of England and Rothschild; Mildmay's plans for the future; his absence from Bishopsgate on account of his invalid son; whether he should keep his partnership in Barings
- 9-16. **1844 cJan-Dec:** Weardale ironworks; French loan
- 17-22. **1845 Nov-Dec:** USA stocks; French railways; the Oregon boundary
- 23-31. **1846 Jan-Dec:** Settling Lord Ashburton's accounts; Barings and the Russian agency; Rothschild; Portuguese finance
- 32-47. **1847-49:** Personal business; letters following Mildmay's withdrawal from Barings recommending William Elliot to be given a place on the staff at Barings; the writer's second son, Henry Bingham Mildmay, and his entry into Barings See HC1.20.12
- 48-55. **1850-52, Hampshire & London:** Personal finance; USA stocks; Mexican affairs, 1852

1.20.3

1777-1827, Swinton Colthurst Holland

SC Holland (1777-1827) became a partner of Barings in 1815. He died suddenly in the House on 27 Dec 1827

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1. **1828 18 Sep, London:** Executors of the will of SC Holland to Barings
SC Holland's credit balance with Barings of £62,170.10.4; to be paid to his estate
2. **c1827 Jan-Dec:** Notebook compiled by and belonging to SC Holland; giving details of items of day to day business
- 1.20.3 cont 3. **1822-27:** Personal notebook of SC Holland; giving memoranda regarding instructions from customers to sell or purchase securities; also relating to other instructions including the purchase and shipment of goods See also HC7.A & B and HC1.204.7

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1799-1873, Thomas Baring

Letters to Barings from Thomas Baring, written on tours of business in the USA and Europe, and during holidays in Europe

Part I: 1828-42

Part II: 1843-51

Part III: 1852-57

Part IV: 1858-62

Thomas Baring was the second son of Sir Thomas Baring, 2nd baronet. At the time of his first journey to the USA he had just entered Barings

1828

30 Sep, Liverpool: T Baring waiting to sail to the USA; short supply of cotton to manufacturers in Lancashire

7 Nov, New York: T Baring arrived 4 Nov. His business particularly concerned the loan to the Planters Association, New Orleans; his intention to go to Philadelphia; politics: the USA election, Jackson v Adams

22 Nov, Philadelphia: Negotiations with N Biddle and Macllvaine of the Bank of the United States; Barings' credit to the bank; the Louisiana operation

27 Dec, New Orleans: Discussion with board of directors of the Planters Association

31 Dec, New Orleans: Negotiations concluded; issue of \$285,000 bonds to T Baring; some shipped to Barings by him; his good opinion of the Association, particularly Manuel Andry, President

1829

2 Jan, New Orleans: Preparing further bonds for shipment; T Baring's recapitulation of his activities; political news

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10 Jan, New Orleans: Account of the revolt in Mexico; Pedrazza and Guerrero; with a copy of a letter from Mexico about events there on 30 Nov 1828 and succeeding days

12-21 Jan, New Orleans: Thomas Baring to William Nott & Co of New Orleans: tobacco operations

15 Jan, New Orleans: Thomas Baring to Gordon Forstall & Co of New Orleans: arrangements for cotton operations Copy

1.20.4 cont

25 Jan, New Orleans: Shipment of further bonds; methods of conveyance and management of plantations in Louisiana; T Baring's favourable opinion of the state; sending a report on business houses in New Orleans [not preserved]

6 Feb, New Orleans: Opposition to the Planters' Association bonds by the Louisiana State Bank and the state legislature; Barings to delay the sale of some of the bonds; T Baring soon to go to Havana

22 Mar, Charleston: News of Barings' interests in Havana; report from New Orleans of the legislature's action on the bonds of the Planters' Association

20 Apr, Washington: T Baring asks for information about buying grain for export to Europe; the question of choosing an agent for Barings in the USA; cotton; tobacco

24 Apr, Washington: Cotton operations; T Baring inhibited by gloomy accounts from Barings

11 May, Norfolk, Virginia: Sending resolutions of the Planters' Association, New Orleans, about the negotiability of their bonds; prospects of Virginia tobacco crop; cotton

20 May, Baltimore: Bank of the United States; tobacco; District of Columbia loan for canal construction

22 May, London, H St.J Mildmay to T Baring: The Planters' Association dividends being paid in London, otherwise Barings will withdraw their contract

30 May, Baltimore: Mercantile business; cotton operation with Nott & Co of New Orleans

6 Jun, Philadelphia: Planters' Association loan; conversations with N Biddle about extension of credit by Barings to the Bank of the United States

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15 Jun, Baltimore: The Planters' Association loan; Bank of the United States

23 Jun, New York: Extension of credit to Bank of the United States

24 Jun, New York: Changes in the board of the Planters' Association; an improvement in the prospect of the loan operations

30 Jun, New York: The question of Barings employing an agent in the USA; T Baring's view that a connection with a good business house in New York would be best; giving his judgment of various houses; intending to interview Thomas Ward in Boston

1.20.4 cont

7 Jul, New York: Mercantile news; cotton operation with Nott & Co

22 Jul, London: H St.J Mildmay to T Baring: approving his action with the Planters' Association; Barings' relations with the Bank of the United States: '...we are very desirous... of doing what will most strongly evince our desire to continue on the same footing as hitherto, and we will not deny that the mortification would be great were we to see the Institution in correspondence with any other house in London as their Agents...'

2 Aug, Montreal: The New Orleans Planters' Association loan

3 Aug, London: Alexander Baring to T Baring: The Bank of the United States; the importance of the connection to Barings, 'having been uninterruptedly agents to the Bank from its first institution'; approving of T Baring's negotiations; authorizing an extension of credit to the bank up to £250,000

10 Aug, Montreal: The New Orleans loan; visit to T Ward (who was suffering from a serious accident with a gun, which permanently crippled his hand); T Baring's views on an agency; his readiness to comply with Barings, who considered an agent in the USA a necessity

5 Sep, Boston: The agency; Ward's low opinion of the honour of American business houses; sending political news, and news of bookshops in Quebec and Montreal

12 Sep, Boston: Mercantile news; Ward's slow recovery

21 Sep, Boston: The agency; scope of the appointment; Ward's character and abilities; his likelihood of accepting the appointment; remuneration

15 Oct, New York: Ward's agency settled; regret at the slow selling of New Orleans bonds; T Baring's pending return to England

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21 Oct, Philadelphia: Conclusion of negotiations with N Biddle, Bank of the United States; about Pennsylvania stock; T Baring to sail from New York on 16 Nov

1830-31: No letters

1832 17 Aug, Paris: Establishment of Barings' Liverpool house; politics in France

1833: No letters

1834 Jun-Aug, Holland and Germany: Mercantile affairs in Holland; reports on business houses; Dutch East Indies trade; New Orleans bonds on sale in Amsterdam; coffee in Hamburg-Prussian tariff

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1835-38: No letters

1839 27 Jul-5 Aug, Paris: Letters concerning the operation of a stabilization account by the Bank of England, acting with the Bank of France; the operation was managed by Barings See also HC1.20.8 and HC7.1.104-119

1840 3-28 Mar, Paris: Conclusion of the exchange operation of 1839; USA stocks; Thiers and the French ministry; Hottinguer & Co (HC7.1) and M Sussman (HC9.12)

1841: No letters

1842 Jul-Oct, Aachen, Frankfurt, Munich, Venice: Letters to Barings, and to J Bates, written during a holiday

Politics: Lord Ashburton's negotiation in Canada; H St.J Mildmay and the Southampton election; Mexico; German railroads; the great fire at Liverpool; and including the following extract (Aachen, 10 Aug)

'... I had ... anticipated that you would not want me and intend to pay a visit to Munich which I have never seen. The fact is that we have been lately overmanned as to partners for the business which we are doing, which is almost as bad for a house as to be under manned, as public see partners who have nothing to do which has been my case for some time past'

1843: No letters

1844 Dec, Paris: About the French 3% government loan; French railways

1845 Aug-Sep, Amsterdam and Antwerp: Letters to J Bates and to Barings, written during a holiday

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1846: No letters

1847 Aug-Sep, Aachen, Dover and Liege: Letters to J Bates, CB Young and Barings written during two visits to Aachen for a health cure Failures of corn marketing houses; Prime Ward King & Co; Francis Falconnet; Portugal; Planters' Association of Planters, New Orleans; failure of Reid Irving & Co

1848 Jul-Sep, from Aachen, Bonn, Frankfurt and Amsterdam: Various business during a holiday taken for health reasons

1.20.4 cont

The USA federal loan, and USA state stocks; the Spanish quicksilver contract, and the condition of Spanish finances; Mexican finance; failure through disease of the sugar crop on the St Croix estates (HC5.5.1); fair prospects of the grain and potato crops in Europe; family matters including the settlement of estate of Henry Baring (HC1.20.11), and the share in the estate of Edward Baring (HC1.20.13); the death of CB Young's mother, and the birth of his daughter Margaret; T Baring's visit to Cologne

1849 Oct-Dec, from Paris, Bordeaux, Bayonne, Madrid, Toledo, Aranjuez and Pau: The main purpose of this tour, on which T Baring was accompanied by Francis Falconnet, was the settlement with the Spanish government for the quicksilver contract for 1849/50

The political scene in Europe: France, Austria and Italy; the scene in Paris, revival of trade, finance; buying 1841 claret in Bordeaux; meeting with Henry O'Shea in Madrid (HC4.8.6); the quicksilver contract; T Baring declines to bid at the auction, knowing that the Spanish government's reserve price would be too high; the question of Barings and Rothschilds sharing the contract; inconclusive results for the quicksilver contract (see HC4.8.6 and following); Mexican finance; the indemnity payable by the USA after the war of 1848; Mexican bondholders (see also HC4.5.19 and following); Edward Charles Baring in Mexico; including T Baring to Barings, Madrid, 28 Nov 1849:

'... Edward Baring's Mexican news is interesting just now. I have a few very sensible lines from him & Falconnet a longer letter. The youngster promises well...

The Baltimore railroad and other USA stocks

1850 cOct: An incomplete letter concerning the partnerships of James Price and Matthias Purton in the Liverpool House, and their salaries and allowances See HC3.35, 1849-50

1851 Jan, Brighton: Various business, including TW Ward and the USA agency; impending resignation of Major Ferdinand White as Barings' representative in Buenos Aires See HC4.1.24

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Aug, Paris: The Lyons railway: project for the continuation of the line to Avignon; with a memorandum by Auguste Dassier about the financial working of the project, and an estimate of receipts and expenses; the Austrian loan

1852 Sep-Nov, New York, Boston, Washington, Philadelphia, Detroit and Niagara: The chief purpose of this tour was to examine the soundness of the railway and other loans in the USA in which, since 1849, Barings had been taking an increasing part (see HC1.20.8, 1849). T Baring sailed in the Europe on 28 Aug and arrived in New York 10 Sep 1852, and returned in the steamship Arctic, which sailed 13 Nov. His departure had been delayed on account of illness. Henry Bingham Mildmay (HC1.20.12) was already in the USA, and accompanied T Baring on much of the tour

Subjects covered by the letters include:

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The American scene; industrial and commercial progress; T Baring's confidence in USA business and finance, as the following extract reveals:

1852 20 Sep 1852, Boston: '... Here our friends are so kind and attentive to me that I seem to have little time to think and none to write. Mr Ward is most kind and careful of me and tries to keep me all right - but they have got me into a scrape from which I could hardly escape, but which worries me very much and almost spoils the pleasure of my visit. Our correspondents give me a complimentary dinner on Wednesday next in order as they say to make my acquaintance and to testify their satisfaction with the house. I accepted by Ward's advice but what may be sport to them is death to me... All seems to me at present a high prosperity mark - grand works afoot, great employment, large expenditure and great consumption in full reliance upon continued supplies of gold from California and Australia, an easy money market in Europe and a sale of the Railway Bonds - but a great increase of capital invested here and an enormous production of exportable commodities...';

USA railway loans: Particularly Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, Eastern Railroad; New Orleans, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, and Boston City loans; railway iron from the Weardale Iron Co;

Nicaragua: And the project of the canal across the Isthmus of Panama; Colonel Child's report. Samuel Ward, Thomas W Ward, and the future of Barings' agency in the USA;

Politics: T Baring's meeting with President Fillmore in Washington, including the following extract:
Philadelphia 1 Oct 1852 ...I had a civil chat with the President about the usual nothings, and a long conversation with Mr Crampton (Secretary of State) who foresees no serious difficulty between the two countries nor

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any important change of policy whichever candidate is elected for the Presidency...'

The Presidential election of 1852: defeat of General Scott (Whig), election of General Franklin Pierce (Democrat)
Description of the journey from Philadelphia to Detroit; T Baring in Montreal, where he begins to feel ill; cancellation of his tour in Canada; he returns to New York ill with fever; his return to England postponed
The death of Daniel Webster; the Labrador fisheries dispute

Joshua Bates' munificent gift to the city of Boston

Note: This gift was to the Public Library in Boston - \$50,000, and nearly 27,000 books. The library was opened in 1854, and the large hall named after him, the Bates Hall (See G Boase, Modern English Biography, 6 vols, 1892-1921, 1, p192)

1.20.4 cont

1849-52: Letters to T Baring from Joshua Bates

Pressed copies of correspondence sent during T Baring's absences from the House; concerning current business, and replies to questions asked by T Baring in his letters to the House

The Nicaragua canal; the sale by Barings of USA railway and state bonds. One bundle

1853: No letter

1854-55, Norman Court, Aachen and Paris: Personal business; Russian finance during the Crimean War

1855 Nov-Dec, mostly Paris: The Crimean War; the secret provision by Barings to the French government of grain purchased in the USA; T Baring foresees the difficulty of getting payment of this from France See LB27-28, and HC1.20.5 (1856)

1856 Jan-Dec, Norman Court, Paris and Scotland: Advice on handling USA stock (10 Jan); payment of the French grain account; Credit Mobilier, Paris

31 Aug: Lady Temple and the management of her money as a beneficiary of George Baring (HC1.23)

1857 Jan-Nov, Norman Court, and Scotland

Jan: Grand Trunk, Canada; the French grain account; Grand Railway of Russia; S American bondholders; Edward Horsman and his Penang Estates (HC6.2.6); mission of George White to Canada; salary and allowances of Edward Baring

Apr: The Canada Act

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Jul-Sep: The Canada Act; the Indian Mutiny; the directors and affairs of the Grand Trunk, Canada; The Times newspaper and its attacks on Credit Mobilier, Paris; and the finance of the Grand Railway of Russia

1858 Jan-Dec, The Grange, Paris, and Norman Court

Jan: The Swedish 5% loan; the status and finances of Sweden; Grand Trunk, Canada; Buenos Aires bonds; credit for the Province of New Brunswick (Mr Tilley)

Apr, Paris: Death of Robarts, the banker

Nov, Paris: T Baring was attending the meetings of the Committee of the Grand Russian Railway

Russian Loan: Suez Canal proposals; Chilean loan; including the following extract, Paris 14 Nov 1858, to Joshua Bates, about the contract for the Chilean loan:

1.20.4 cont

‘I am very sorry that the absence of Francis and myself and our letters should prevent you from concluding what you think right about the Chile loan.

My absence was not voluntary but I always consider that the principle of our house is that the partner on the spot especially when you are one of those, should decide all matters of business as they alone can judge of time and circumstances...’

Dec: Grand Trunk, Canada

1859 Jan-Nov, Norman Court

Jan: Satisfactory accounts for the year 1858: including the following extract, Norman Court 30 Jan 1859, to Joshua Bates: ‘...1858 has certainly been a wonderful year for profits. Luckily it has been an expensive one and we have Grand Trunk & Weardale or we should become too fat and saucy...’

Sep-Oct: Chilean finance; dispute with the Chilean government over the loan contract; Weardale Iron Co: dissatisfaction with the management of Mr Attwood and prospects for the future; Mr Mann’s Mexican bonds; Barings and the Venezuelan financial agency; George White and the consulship at Buenos Aires; Mississippi Union Bank stock; inspection by G White of the St. Croix estates before their sale (HC5.5.1); the Grand Russian Railway; the Grand Trunk, Canada, including the following extract, Norman Court, 5 Oct 1859, to Joshua Bates:

‘With regard to Grand Trunk affairs as the responsibility in that unfortunate business has chiefly fallen on me I was naturally anxious to get the house out with as little a loss as possible and to deal fairly with the Company. But I should not care about a difference of one or two per cent more or less if I did not think that in spite of an improving traffic

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forced sales at the same price would tend to damp the confidence of buyers who of course look to a gradual rise as matters improve...'; Mr Merritt and his proposals for the Grand Trunk; Ebbw Vale Steel Co, S Wales, a competitor of Weardale Iron Co

1860 Jan-Dec, Norman Court, Paris and Brighton

Jan: Canadian stocks, Grand Trunk, Canada; Charles McGarel and the Buenos Aires bondholders See LEG 38

25 May, Paris: The 1860 loan to Russia; decision to concentrate on a 4.5% loan, to be issued by Barings with Hope & Co

Nov: Peto & Brassey, and the Detroit railway

Dec: Chilean loan

1861 Jan-Sep Norman Court, Paris, Amsterdam, and Scotland

Jan: US Civil War, and trade; Grand Trunk, Canada

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Mar-Apr: from Paris and Amsterdam: Thomas Baring being in Paris for meetings of the Committee of the Grand Trunk, Canada; Brassey in Paris (26 Mar); death of P Ericksen (HC9.22)

May-Jun: Grand Trunk, Canada; Grand Russian railway

Aug: from Glenfishic, Scotland: illness of Francis Baring in Norfolk; Dr Ericksen; Chilean finance

Sep: US Civil War; Chilean debt; Grand Trunk, Canada

1862 Jan-Dec: Norman Court, and Aix la Chapelle [Aachen]

Jan: Appreciation of the course of the American Civil War (10 Jan), Mexican bondholders, and George White's mission to Mexico

Mar: from Aix, where Thomas Baring was attending the Committee of the Grand Russian Railway: financial deliberations; Baron Stieglitz (HC10.1) and the progress of the Grand line; its opening on 15 Apr 1862

Apr-Jul: Venezuelan finance

Aug, Bishop Auckland: a visit to part of the Weardale Iron Co; Thomas Baring's refusal to negotiate with Attwood; changes in the administration of the company

Sep: American credits - Grinnell Minturn & Co, New York

Dec: Venezuelan finance

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Francis Baring, 3rd Lord Ashburton, 1800-68

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Letters to Barings from Francis Baring, mostly written during a visit, as Barings' representative, to Paris in the autumn of 1831 and the winter 1831-32

Part I: 1830-52
Part II: 1853-62
Part III: 1863-65

Francis Baring, 2nd son of Alexander Baring, 1st Lord Ashburton [2nd creation]. He succeeded his brother, William, as 3rd Lord Ashburton, 1864. He was a partner 1823-64

1.20.5 cont

1. **1830 Aug, Paris:** Hottinguer; rentes; politics
2. **c1830 Aug, Paris:** Events in Belgium and France; suicide of the Duc de Bourbon
3. **1831 c14 Jul, Paris:** Events on 'Bastille Day'
4. **1831, c15 Aug, Paris:** Perier's government; bad state of the Chamber of Deputies; cotton prices at Le Havre
5. **c1831 Sep, Paris:** Politics; France, Belgium, Holland, Austria
6. **1831 17 Sep, Paris:** Events in Poland; ill effects in France
7. **c1831 Oct, Paris:** Reports on business houses in France
8. **1831 23 Oct, Le Havre:** Report on French business houses in Le Havre and abroad; trade in indigo and tallow
9. **1831 c16 Nov, Paris:** Operations of the French government in importing corn for the army; possibility of Barings acting in this
10. **1831 17 Nov, Paris:** Corn operations; request by the US Bank to Hottinguer for extension of credit
11. **1831 c25 Nov, Paris:** Corn operations
12. **1831 c12 Dec, Paris:** Cotton at Le Havre; news of other markets; the Papal loan
13. **1831 27 Dec, Paris:** Indigo trade in France, with statistics
14. **1831 30 Dec, Paris:** Poor state of trade and the money market; the Papal loan
15. **1832 cJan, Paris:** Rothschild's operations in Belgian stock; corn operations

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16. **1832 13 Jan, Paris:** Finding a school in Paris for Joshua Bates's son
17. **1832 18 Jan, Paris:** Finding a school
18. **1832 11 Mar, Paris:** J Bates's son in Paris on his way to Nantes
19. **1832 21 Sep, Paris:** Rothschild; politics
20. **1833 7 Sep, Paris:** Personal business
21. **1833 16 Nov, Paris:** Affairs in Spain: Queen Christina; Don Carlos; civil war in Navarre and Catalonia
- 21(a). **1834:** Letters to Joshua Bates regarding the situation in the US and business in Europe
22. **1837 13 Feb, Paris:** Count Teliky, founder of the Bank of Poland; his effort to raise a large loan for Queen Christina's government in Spain
- 1.20.5 cont 23. **1842 24 Jun, Buckenham, Norfolk:** Asking for money to invest with Hottinguer & Co, and elsewhere; marriage of John Baring (to Charlotte Amelia Porcher)
- 24-28. **1843 Aug-Dec, Norfolk and Paris:** Personal business; French railways; plans for construction
- 29-40. **1844 Feb-Dec, Paris:** French railways
- 41-63. **1845 Jul-1847 May, Paris:** French railways; purchase by Francis Baring of land in the commune of Batignolles, near Paris; the Oregon boundary; French loan
- Note:** Pieces within HC1.20.5.71-113 have been allocated alphabetical reference numbers as follows: HC1.20.5.71a,71b,71c, etc, then HC1.20.5 71aa,71bb,71cc, etc
- 64-71a. **1847 Jul-Nov, Norfolk:** Spanish affairs; the financial crisis; Ireland; Mexico; comment on the character of H St.J Mildmay, and on his withdrawal from Barings
- 71b-71aa. **1848 Jan-Dec, Paris, Hamburg & Norfolk:** Effect of financial crisis in Frankfurt upon Paris banking houses; politics: Louis Napoleon and France; Italy, Austria and France; Mexican affairs and finance
- 71bb-7100 **1849 Jan-Jun, Paris and Brighton:** Financial operations with the Belgian government; politics: the French elections; Italy, Austria and France

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- 72a-76b. **1850 Jan-Jul, Paris and London:** Personal finance
- 77a-78b. **1851 Jan-Dec, Paris and Norfolk:** The Lyons railway
- 79-100a. **1852 Jan-Dec, Paris and Norfolk:** The Lyons railway; politics
- 100b. **1848-52:** Pressed copies of letters to Francis Baring from Joshua Bates, and from Barings. Various business
- 101-113a. **1853 Jan-Dec, Paris & Norfolk:** Politics: the Eastern question; events leading to the Crimean war
- 113b-113e. **1854 Jan-Feb, Paris:** The Crimean war; Russian and French finances
- 114-132. **1855 Jan-Sep, Paris and Norfolk:** French loan of 1855; French, German and Austrian railways; the Crimean war
- 1.20.5 cont 133-201. **Jan 1856-Sep 1857 Paris (a few from Norfolk):** The end of the Crimean war; the operation for the purchase of grain and flour by Barings in the USA for the French government (see also LB 27-28); difficulties in obtaining payment for grain procured; George White (HC7.36) in Paris to help with the accounting, Oct 1856; the contract renewed for 1857; Russian railways; Credit Mobilier (HC7.27-28); Barings' estate at Batignolles (HC1.20.5. 41-63)
- 202-213. **1858 Jan-Nov, Paris (and Norfolk):** Russian railways; the Panama railway; Batignolles
- 214-242. **1859 Jan-Nov, Paris and Norfolk:** Politics in Europe; the threat of war; France and Italy; the Russian loan; the sale of the Batignolles property (HC1.20.5.225, 229)
- 243-256. **1860 Jan-Nov, Paris (and Norfolk):** Politics; France and Italy; negotiations for the Russian loan 1860; the Grand Railway; Credit Mobilier; Batignolles sales (HC1.20.244,251d); the Grand Trunk, Canada (HC1.20.251f)
- 257-276. **1861 Jan-1862 Apr, Paris and Norfolk:** European politics; Russia and Italy; Russia railways; United States affairs (HC1.20.5.270); Turkish loan (HC1.20.5.273)
- 1863:** No letters
- 277-289. **1864 Feb-1865 Feb, Paris and Norfolk:** France and political affairs; the policy of Napoleon III; forebodings for the

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future; sale of Russian railway shares; Russian and Mexican loans; events in Mexico; Archduke Maximilian

1.20.6

Thomas Nixon, c1753-1843

Thomas Nixon, formerly a clerk, was a partner of Barings from 1809 to 1828

- 1a. **1820 Jun-Jul, Malvern, Devonshire Place, and Stratton Park:** Sir Thomas Baring, 2nd baronet, to Thomas Nixon Concerning a bond by which 'Mr Canning' had been held by Sir Francis Baring, 1st baronet and father of the writer, for £2,000; and a bond of Messrs King & Biddle; 3 letters
- 1b. **1827 Aug, Hastings:** Thomas Nixon to Swinton Colthurst Holland
The irregular speculation of his son, Francis Nixon, in quinine; Thomas Nixon also involved
2. **30 Aug:** The quinine speculation; and enclosing a letter from Miss J Middleton concerning investment in American stock
3. **1839 20 Dec, Newington, Surrey:** Thomas Nixon to Barings Seeking to sell shares of the Bank of the United States (Thomas Nixon 'at the close of [his] eighty third year')
4. **1841 20 Oct, London:** Thomas Nixon, grandson of Thomas Nixon, to Barings
Asking for assistance in finding some employment; mentions his grandfather's losses in American stock
5. **1844 11 Nov, London:** SF Miller, solicitor, to Barings Settlement of the will of Thomas Nixon, (d 23 Sep 1843); a fund for his children from money invested in Barings

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John Baring, 1801-88

John Baring was the 3rd son of Sir Thomas Baring and brother of Thomas Baring (1799-1873). In the 1820s he was in partnership with Joshua Bates as Bates and Baring. He was a partner 1828-37

1835-50: John Baring to Joshua Bates

1837: John Baring's retirement from the House (he retired 31 Dec 1837)

1839: Settlement of his account at the House
See also HC1.20.8.39-41

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Joshua Bates, 1788-1864

Joshua Bates was an American merchant who came to Britain in 1816. In 1826 he set up in business with John Baring (see HC1.20.7) as Bates & Baring and in 1828 his business merged with that of Barings when he was made a Baring partner. He specialized in managing Barings' credit

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and merchant activities (while Thomas Baring took charge of bond issues and government finance etc). Bates was senior partner with Thomas Baring until his death in 1864

Part I: 1837-1849
Part II: 1849
Part III: 1850-1862

1. **1837 24 Mar, Boulogne:** To John Baring
Joshua Bates on his way to Paris sends minute details of particular business which he has left unfinished in London. The letter ends: There is a young gentleman in the next room, to me at the Hotel des Bains, who sports the Baring crest on his carriage, has apparently a young wife, and reports himself Mr Baring...'
2. **1839 23 Oct-1 Nov, Paris**
Letters concerning the exchange operation with the Banks of England and France.
See also HC1.20.4 and HC7.1.104-119
3. **1840 Jun-Aug, Holland, Germany, Switzerland and France:** To John Baring, H St J Mildmay and to Barings
Matters of business undertaken during a tour to restore his health: Far East trade; cotton; political situation in Paris, Aug 1840
- 1.20.8 cont
4. **1840 11 Oct, Dover:** To Barings
About the purchase of French government stock by Barings (J Bates had gone to Dover to expedite the order for the stock)
5. **1843 Nov, Paris:** To Thomas Baring
French railroads: the Great Road to Belgium; Orleans; Rouen; Rothschild; railway shares; private business; politics; social news
6. **1844 5 Aug, Liverpool:** On a visit to the north of England, and Scotland; conversations with SS Gair and M Purton; prospects for cotton
- 7-11. **1845 Nov-1846 Feb, Brussels:** Van de Weyer as Prime Minister of Belgium; Weardale Iron Co; Sir Robert Peel, and the effect of his financial measures; food stocks in Belgium; war in the Punjab:

'...it is painful to read the list of Officers killed, and among them the famous Sir Robert Sale, but he dies on the field of glory, not by his own hand, as the other Sir Robert will - politically'
- 12-14. **1847 Apr & Jun:** On a visit to the Weardale Iron Co, Towlaw, Co Durham
Note: Pieces within HC1.20.8.18 have been allocated alphabetical reference numbers as follows: HC1.20.8.18a, 18b, 18c, etc, then HC1.20.8.18aa, 18bb, 18cc, etc

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- 15-18a. **1847 Jul:** On a visit to Ems for a holiday and cure
Instructions to Barings before leaving: concerning Weardale,
merchandise, free trade, railways, the Bank Charter
- 18b-18h. **1848 Sep, Paris:** Politics in France; the elections; Louis
Napoleon his election, and personal finance; his prospects;
financial operations in French and USA stocks; Tirhoot Indigo Co,
and India trade; Weardale Iron Co; Barings' estate at Batignolles
- 18j-18l. **1849 Mar, Paris:** Politics: Louis Napoleon as President;
railway contracts, Lyons-Avignon; prospects for the grain harvest;
the Paris scene
- 18m-18kk. **1849 Apr-Jul, Liverpool, New York, Philadelphia,
Boston**

Note: The activities of Barings in the USA had been greatly restricted since the financial crisis in that country in 1839. But in 1848 Barings took part in the Federal Government loan; and 'for four years after ... 1848 the partners increased the operations of the house on American account almost as rapidly as they had between 1828 and 1832.' (Hidy, House of Baring , p389).

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By the time of Joshua Bates' visit to the USA in 1849 the policy of the House with regards to these increasing operations was settled
J Bates left Liverpool in the steamship America on 21 Apr and reached New York on 5 May. On the journey home he left Boston on 20 Jun and arrived in Liverpool on 1 Jul. On this voyage his ship was involved in a disastrous collision with the ship Charles Bartlett which was sank as a result. The main business facing Joshua Bates in the USA was the reorganization of Barings' agency in that country, and in particular the finding of somebody to replace Thomas Wren Ward, who had been agent since 1828. Henry Bingham Mildmay (HC1.20.12) was with Bates at least for part of the time

The subjects covered in the letters include:

3 May: A description of the ship America; a comparison of this ship with the Great Western; the superiority of the America

The Agency: the character of TW Ward; his determination to retire; the problem of finding a new agent and of deciding where the agency should be located; the solution of the problem - Ward agrees to remain as agent, assisted by his son Samuel Gray Ward

Cotton: Purchased by E Forstall, Barings' agent in New Orleans (HC5.7.6); prospects of the cotton trade

Finance: The US loan of 1848; state bonds of South Carolina and Maryland; other state stocks; the Merchants Exchange, New York

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(HC5.2.23); the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Co; Mexico and the payment of dividends on Mexican bonds See HC4.5.19, and following

Politics: J Bates' visit to Washington and Annapolis, Maryland; his meeting with President Taylor

Social: The American scene; the rapid development of the country; hospitality; including the following extract:-

1849 8 May, New York, J Bates to Thomas Baring [punctuation modified]

'...The progress of things here is beyond all conception. My hotel is 5 miles from the Astor House. All the lower part of the City is turned into Counting Houses and ware-houses, and the activity and bustle exceeds even London. Immigrants arrive at the rate of about 1000 per day, or have done so during the last 30 days. I have booked myself for the 20 June from Boston, which will enable me to offer an excuse for all dinner invitations, or a great many of them, so that I hope to get away in good health...'

The Spanish Loan of 1811

1849 Apr-Jun: Letters received by Joshua Bates during his visit to the United States. The writers include Thomas Baring; Charles Baring Young; Thomas Wren Ward; Edmund Forstall Ward and Forstall enclose letters from Francis Falconnet from Mexico (HC4.5)

The subjects of the letters include:

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The reorganization of Barings' agency in the US; the New York State Loan; foreign exchange; politics, particularly affairs in Italy and in Schleswig Holstein; mercantile activities; personal and social affairs

18mm-18qq. **1850 Feb-Apr, Le Havre and Paris:** Produce of Barings' Ceylon Estates (HC6.3.7) shipped to de Coninck & Co at Le Havre; politics, finance and trade in France; Francis Falconnet and Buenos Aires (HC4.1.25)

19-21. **1851 Feb, Paris:** 'Operation C' - issue and sale of rentes; Ceylon

22. **1851 29 Oct, Liverpool:** Attwood, and the Stanley Coalfield; Edward Baring a member of the Liverpool House

23-24. **1852 Jul, Paris:** Bordeaux & Cette Railway: operations in France to be undertaken only jointly with Hottinguer & Co

1853: No letters

25a-25h. **1854 Jul-Aug, Carlsbad, Dresden and Calais:** Written during Bates' visit to Carlsbad to drink the waters when he became seriously ill and returned to London as soon as he was able to do so

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Matters of current business: British and American railways; possibility of peace but poor prospect for trade; description of Carlsbad society and visitors; Bates' illness; a description of himself (17 Aug)

- 25j-38. **1855 Aug, Paris:** To T Baring and to CB Young
The French and Turkish loans of 1855; French railways, and other business; mortgage of the estate of Baron Delmar; the Paris Exhibition; visit of Queen Victoria to Paris; social news; the Crimean War
- 39-41. **1856 Apr-May, Brighton:** Bates recuperating after an illness
The Societe Credit Mobilier (HC7.27); Weardale Iron Co (Mr Attwood); a visit to John Baring: his character and a proposal that he might again become a partner in the House
- 42-46. **1856 Jun-Jul, Scarborough:** On a holiday for his health, which included a visit to the Weardale Iron Co; the finances of the company; Russian railways and the Credit Mobilier; affairs in Kansas, and their similarity to the events of the 'Peterloo' massacre of 1819 (24 Jun)

1857 No letters

- 47-56. **1858 Jul-Aug, Paris & Ems:** Written whilst Bates was taking a health cure
A meeting in Paris of the Committee of the Chemins de Fer Russes: orders for rails and accessories; finance of Credit Mobilier; personalities of the Committee the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada; Bates visits Barings' property at Batignolles; Weardale Iron Co; Samuel Ward and Barings' agency in New York; Victoria (Australia) railway loan; failure of Barings' mission (HC6.4.5)

1.20.8 cont

Paris, 25 Aug: '...I dine with the Emperor today at St. Cloud. He was never more popular. The people are prosperous happy and satisfied...'

57. **1858 Summer, Towlaw:** The Weardale Iron Co; Russian railway shares

1859 No letters

- 58-64. **1860 Aug, York and Scarborough:** On a visit to Weardale Iron Co with Thomas Baring, during a holiday in Scarborough
The company's affairs; the Grand Russian railway; the Grand Trunk Canada; reports on crops in the north of England; Sheffield steel makers and the Bessemer process

- 65-75. **1860 Oct-Nov, Paris:** Meetings of the Committee of the Russian railroad; politics and finance of the Grand Russian Railway;

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Barings take up 3150 shares; the Grand Trunk, Canada; general trade (in letters to CB Young)

76-80. **1861 Sep-Oct, Scarborough:** On a visit to the Weardale Iron Co; a holiday; political and financial affairs of Mexico

1 Oct 1861, to CB Young

'... The Maine (sic) and important question contained in the letters you send me is whether we will make any and what advances to the Bank of New York on the security of the treasury notes, of which you send a specimen....[cont overleaf]'

'I do not suppose there would be anything illegal or dishonorable in sending money to Buenos Aryes (sic) during the Revolution. I have entire confidence in the Union... the mass of the people (of the US) I think are for the Union at all costs, and if we refuse to have anything to do with Am. securities we may damage the future business of the House... would it not do to consult Gurneys, Glyns and some of the J/S Banks to join us...'

The Civil War in America, and its likely effect on the House; report of his visit to Weardale

81-88. **1862 Jul-Nov, Scarborough and Brighton:** A visit to the Weardale Iron Co; the Civil War in America; JM Robertson, George White and the Ceylon estate (HC6.3.7); the Venezuela loan; proposed sale of Barings' Lapps Island property (HC3.15a)

1.20.9

Sir Thomas Baring 1838-39

Thomas Baring was eldest son of Sir Francis Baring. He did not measure up to his father as a businessman. Although trained in India for ten years with the East India Co, and in spite of being a member of the family firm from 1800 to 1809, he displayed little interest in trade or finance (Hidy, *The House of Baring in American Trade and Finance*). He was a partner from 1804 to 1809 when he retired and subsequently managed his family's estates in Hampshire

1. **1838 20 Nov, Brighton:** To Joshua Bates
Concerning Alfred Rogers of West Meon, Hampshire, who had begun his naval career in one of Barings' ships, the Diana
2. **1839 8 Oct:** To Thomas Baring
Seeking a post at sea in one of Barings' ships for one of his servants, Fisher

1.20.10

Charles Baring Young, 1801-82

Charles Baring Young (1801-82) was second son of Sir Samuel Young and Emily, daughter of Charles Baring. By 1830 he was on the staff of Barings in charge of the Boston correspondence (HC1.14.1.5). By 1832

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he had entered into partnership with SS Gair in Liverpool, forming the firm of Gair & Young. In September 1832 Gair & Young became Baring Brothers & Co., Liverpool, and both SS Gair and CB Young were among the partners of the new house. In 1839 CB Young became a partner of the London House, from which he retired in 1867 (HC3.34-35)

1. **1840 23 Mar, Liverpool:** To Joshua Bates
Ill health of the writer; his absence from Bishopsgate
2. **1844 14 May, Geneva:** To Joshua Bates
En route to Milan
3. **1847 10 Jun, Liverpool:** Report on Barings, Liverpool; cotton
- 4-6. **1847 Sep-Oct, Paris, Lyons, Marseilles:** Northern railroad; Hottinguer, tobacco contract; E Gautier, cotton merchant of Lyons
7. **1850-52:** Pressed copies of Joshua Bates's letters [2] to CB Young
Various business
8. **1859 8 Sep, Vevey, Switzerland:** To Joshua Bates
Holiday news; Weardale Iron Co (HC3.94) and Charles Attwood; Grand Trunk, Canada (HC5.15.2 and following)
9. **1875 8 Sep, Oak Hill, East Barnet:** To Barings
Thanking on behalf of his son for financial recognition of work recently undertaken by the latter for the House

1.20.11

Henry Baring, 1776-1848

Henry Baring was the third son of Sir Francis Baring. He was a partner from 1804-23

1837-47 Cromer Hall & London: Personal finance; family news; J Bates's house at Sheen, Surrey; the character and prospects of his son Edward (1828-97, later first Lord Revelstoke)

1.20.12

Henry Bingham Mildmay, 1828-1905

Henry Mildmay was second son of Humphrey St John Mildmay (HC1.20.2). He was a partner in Barings from 1856 until after 1890 and was a senior partner at the time of the Baring Crisis. His son was Alfred Mildmay, a director of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd from 1897 until 1940

- 1-2. **1853 Aug, London:** To Joshua Bates
Settlement of his father's estate
3. **1853 2 Dec, Amsterdam:** Business with Hope & Co
4. **1891 23 Jun, Paris:** To Barings

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His negotiations with Hottinguer and others for the settlement of the affairs of the Societe Generale des Metaux See also HC7.1.1618-21

1.20.13

Edward Charles Baring, 1st Lord Revelstoke, 1828-97

Edward Charles Baring was the fifth son of Henry Baring (HC1.20.11). He joined Barings in 1848 and was a partner of the Liverpool House from 1851 until 1856. He became a partner in London in 1856. He was created Baron Revelstoke in 1885 and was senior partner at the time of the Baring Crisis

1. **1849-50, South America:** EC Baring began his career in the House by an extensive tour in North and (particularly) South America. He was accompanied on the early part of the tour by Francis Falconnet, with whom he left Liverpool for the United States on 30 Dec 1848 See HC3.35, 1848

Mexican affairs, and trade in quicksilver; report on business houses in Peru; appointment of Russell Sturgis as a partner of Barings; EC Baring's journey from Valparaiso to Buenos Aires; affairs of Buenos Aires, and the Buenos Aires loan; EC Baring's excursion with Mr Hudson from Rio de Janeiro

2. **1856 Jan-Feb, Paris, Brest and Le Havre:** The provision of grain and flour for the French government See LB27-28; HC1.20.4 (1855); HC1.20.5 (1856); the question of payment

EC Baring was at Brest to supervise the unloading of the cargo of the ship Abbot Laurence; and at Le Havre to supervise the storage of flour from another ship

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1857 No letters

3. **1858 Jun-Jul, St Petersburg:** EC Baring attends the deliberations of the Committee of the Grand Russian Railway; reports of proceedings; financial measures; personalities: ill-feeling between General Tscheffkine, Finance Minister, and Collignon, the engineer; EC Baring suffers a severe attack of gastroenteritis when staying with Baron Stieglitz (HC10.1); his recovery; credit of Barings with Stieglitz & Co
4. **1859 Jan-Mar, Amsterdam, Berlin, Konigsberg, and St Petersburg:** Business en route to St Petersburg. EC Baring travelled with J Sillem and his son (HC9.2); they arrived at St Petersburg 28 Jan 1859; the Anglo-Dutch loan to Russia for the Grand Russian Railway

1858 2 Feb, [actually 1859]: telegram, using code words, giving conditions of the loan; difficulties of the negotiation under the threat of war between Russia and Austria

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1858 23 Feb: enclosing copies of the terms of the loan finally put forward to the Russian government; the loan was to be for £12m sterling at four per cent to be made in three issues; the operation was not concluded during EC Baring's visit to St Petersburg.

The Russian Government, in view of the unsettled political situation, decided to postpone the issue of the loan

5. **1860 May-Jun, Berlin and St Petersburg:** The new Russian loan; conditions and results

1861-84 No letters

6. **1885 Jul-Aug, Paris and Contrexeville (Vosges):** Carlos Pellegrini and the negotiations for the Argentine loan; Charles Sautter of the Banque de Paris and des Pays Bas; collapse of negotiations

1886-87 No letters

7. **1888 Oct, Membland:** To James Stewart Hodgson
The Buenos Aires municipal loan [?]
8. **1889 16 Aug, Membland:** To Francis H Baring
Advice on selling copper; an operation for the provision of credit to the Bank of Spain

1.20.14

Russell Sturgis, 1805-87

Russell Sturgis was the grandson of Russell Sturgis of Boston (1750-1826) the uncle of Lucretia, Mrs Joshua Bates. In 1829 he started, with J Amory, a commission business in Boston. In 1834 he went to Canton as a merchant as one of the four founding partners of Russell Sturgis & Co, which was set up in competition with Russell & Co of Canton (HC6.1.8). He was joined by his brothers Henry, Samuel & George at various times. The firm failed in 1837 but an older branch of the same name in Manila survived. At the close of the Opium War in 1843, Russell Sturgis was asked to become senior partner of Russell & Co for a year before returning to Boston in 1845. In 1847 after meeting Joshua Bates in Boston, he went to London to join Barings. He entered the firm in 1849 and became a partner in Jan 1851 retiring in 1882

1.20.14 cont

1. **1852 14 Dec, Paris:** Loan for the North Western Virginia (Parkersburg) Railway Co, to be negotiated in Paris
2. **1857 Oct, Pitnacree, Scotland:** Letters on a holiday; expressing concern at the affairs of the Grand Trunk, Canada and at American affairs in general
3. **1859 Nov-Dec, Dresden, Milan & Nice:** Letters on a holiday

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4. **1861 8 Sep, Scotland:** Letter on a holiday
5. **1866 12 Mar, Paris:** Warren Delano, of Russell & Co (HC6.1.8a) and plans for trade from Britain to China; proposal that Barings should take a share
6. **1870 6 Feb, 17 Carlton House Terrace:** To Thomas Baring About Russell Sturgis's son John, then aged 35, and the possibility of placing him with Hope & Co, Amsterdam (HC8.1)
7. **1883 12 Oct, Grove Farm, Leatherhead:** To EC Baring after Russell Sturgis's retirement from the House About his share of the capital remaining in the House; the forthcoming marriage of his son, Julian, with Miss Bereford
- 8-9. **1884 Feb, Carlton House Terrace:** About his capital in the House, his plan to obtain 5% interest thereon; difficulty of living on income without any share in the profits of the House
- 10-12. **1885 Feb-May, Carlton House Terrace:** His balance with the House; he decides to leave his capital there rather than to invest in the Victoria Loan
13. **1885 16 Oct, Givons Grove, Leatherhead, Surrey:** Asking about the ability of the South and North Alabama Railway to pay interest on its bonds
14. **1885 12 Nov, Givons Grove, Leatherhead, Surrey:** Instructions concerning his capital in the House in the event of his being unable to sign cheques
- 1.20.14 cont 15. **1886 21 Jan, 17 Carlton House Terrace:** His balance with the House; personal investment
16. **1887 2 Jan, 17 Carlton House Terrace:** Thanking the House for sending monthly statements of his balance during 1886, thus obviating the need for an annual statement; pensions paid by Russell Sturgis to named members of Russell & Co, China (HC6.1.8a)

1.20.15

Thomas Baring, 1839-1923

Thomas Baring was the seventh son, and the fourth by the second marriage, of Henry Baring of Cromer Hall (HC1.20.11). The date he actually entered the House is unknown, though in 1870 he became senior partner in the Liverpool House on the retirement of James Price. Joined Kidder Peabody's New York house as a partner in 1886 and was subsequently a partner of Baring Magoun & Co. Was appointed a director of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd in 1892 and retired in 1912

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1. **1876 Dec-1877 Feb, United States:** To EC Baring and to Russell Sturgis
The death of his brother William Windham Baring (d 20 Nov 1876); the business of the Liverpool House in the USA; visits to correspondents in Boston, New York, Washington, New Orleans; the cotton market of New Orleans; EJ Forstall's Sons (HC5.7.6); SG & GC Ward - their characters; the business of the Iron Mountain Railway; politics: the continuing grievance of the South against the North
2. **1878 Feb-Mar, United States:** To his brother EC Baring SG & GC Ward; politics; the New Orleans market; the Louisville & Nashville railway

1879-80 No letters
3. **1881 Jun, Lenox, Massachusetts, and New York:** To his brother EC Baring, Lord Revelstoke
The character and behaviour of Henry G Chapman; the speculation in Ohio and Mississippi railroad stock; Baltimore & Ohio railway; sale of stock of Massachusetts Eastern railway. For Chapman see HC5.2.30-31
Note: T Baring arrived in USA about 5 Jun and left on 22 Jun for England. For Thomas Baring's letters to the House in 1884 See HC3.35
4. **1885, New York, Lenox, Massachusetts, and Boston:** To his brother EC Baring, Lord Revelstoke
Thomas Baring, accompanied by his nephew Cecil Baring and by Colonel Oliver Peabody, reached New York in the Cunard SS Servia early in Aug 1885, The agency negotiations continued until about 11 Aug when Thomas and Cecil Baring made a journey westwards. They returned east about the middle of Sept, and Thomas Baring was back in Liverpool by 8 Oct

1.20.15.4 cont

The transfer of Barings' American agency from the Wards to Kidder Peabody & Co (See also HC5.1.27 and HC5.2.30); the serious illness of George Cabot Ward; character of Thomas Wren Ward, the younger; discussions with Samuel Ward and with Henry P Kidder; Thomas Baring's position; character of Cecil Baring:

'... he is a real good fellow and a most pleasant companion, especially for me.

We read the 'Antigone' through on the steamer and are about to begin the 'Archarnians'. On the 11th (Aug) we proceed West - to Garrison (Montana)... and then to Melrose in Idaho. There the guides and horses will be ready on the 15th and we disappear into the Bitter Root Mountains and Big Hole Basin...'

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The character of George Magoun; Thomas Baring's appreciation of the agency

5. **1885 8 Oct, Liverpool:** To Lord Revelstoke
Thomas Baring's partnership in Kidder Peabody; financial factors affecting Barings apportioning profits

Note: For later letters of Thomas Baring to Lord Revelstoke and to the House See HC5.1.27

6. **1892 Sep, Strathmore Lodge, Halkirk, Caithness:** To Francis H Baring
Advising on rate of commission for credits to sugar merchants
7. **1901 17 Aug, Caithness:** To Francis H Baring
An operation with Baring Magoun & Co New York (HC5.2.39) in consols; uncertainty as to the composition of the syndicate

1.20.16

Francis H Baring, 1850-1915

FH Baring was the second son of Francis Thornhill Baring, 1st Lord Northbrook, and the only son by his second marriage. He became a partner in 1869 and was a director of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd from 1890 until 1901 when he was succeeded by Gaspard Farrer. On TC Baring's death in 1891 he became senior 'partner' See HC5.2.30 (1879)

1. **1877 Jan-Jul, United States:** To his cousin EC Baring and to Barings
The Ward family; Iron Mountain railway affairs; the Louisville & Nashville railway; EJ Forstall's Sons of New Orleans (HC5.7.6); the settlement of the State of Texas

1.20.16 cont

2. **1900 27 Jul:** To Barings
A rise in Weardale shares (HC3.94); Messrs Buckler Norman & Crisp; Messrs Price & Potts
3. **1900 Oct, Leyburn 1900:** To Alfred Mildmay
About F Perugia; advising that a power of attorney should be given to Perugia to settle the affairs of Barings in Montevideo
4. **1901 31 Dec, Bishopsgate within:** FH Baring to the Secretary (WB Gair) of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd
His letter of resignation
5. **1905 18 Jul, Monmouth:** To Alfred Mildmay
Concerning Barings' claim on the assets of Alsop & Co
See HC4.3.12 and HC4.11.13

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Thomas Charles Baring, 1831-91

TC Baring was the eldest son of Charles Baring, Bishop of Durham. He was a scholar of Wadham College, Oxford and a Fellow of Brasenose.

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His published works include 'Pinder in English Rhyme' and 'The System of Epicurus'. He was a munificent benefactor of Hertford College Oxford and of Harrow, his old school. He became a partner in 1867, retired at the end of 1888, but returned in November 1890 to be Chairman of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd. He died in Rome in 1891

1. **1890 13 Nov, Lucerne:** To FH Baring
'My dear Francis, Your letter of the 11th fairly took away my breath. For years I have been shy of S America, and thought we were going too deep there, but I never looked for what you tell me.

Of course what I have is at your disposal to pledge or to sell. You have my full power of attorney and may use it. But I fear this will be of little or no use. Drop me a line soon to say how things go...'

The document is marked FHB 1, and is endorsed: 'In the High Court of Justice. Chancery Division Mr Justice Kekewich. Baring v Lord Revelstoke. This is the letter marked FHB. I referred to in the affidavit of the Honourable Francis Henry Baring sworn before me in this Action this 8th day of February 1893. [Signed] CM Hotson A Commr. etc'

For records of the Action see LEG 55

Note: Although the document once formed part of these legal documents [LEG 55], it was later removed and replaced among the general correspondence of the House; therefore, it is classified in this place.

- 2-3. **1891 Jan, Rome:** To FH Baring
The establishment of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd; the Grace family and credit extended to their firms see HC5.2.36; the English Church in Rome

1.20.18a

John Baring, 2nd Lord Revelstoke, 1863-1929

John Baring, 2nd Lord Revelstoke, was eldest son of EC Baring, 1st Lord Revelstoke (HC1.20.13). He joined Barings in 1884 (see [The Times](#), 8 Nov 1927, 'Great Financial Houses. Barings') and became a partner on 1 Jan 1890. He succeeded his father in 1897. He played a major role in reconstructing Barings after the Baring Crisis and the rescue of the business was, in large part, due to his skill.

He was senior partner until his death in Paris in 1929. A biographical note on him appears in the Dictionary of Business Biography, Volume 1

Note: There is a portrait bust of him by Arthur JL Pollen, his nephew by marriage, formerly on display at 8 Bishopsgate [currently in storage]

1. **1895 1 Sep, Cowes:** To FH Baring
An operation with Baring Magoun & Co of New York (HC5.2.39)

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2. **1898 23 Dec, Market Harborough:** To FH Baring
Argentina: Lord Revelstoke's disapproval of the Alcohol Loan (HC4.1.208); the need to fund the external debt; Frederico Perugia; JP Morgan
3. **1899 10 Apr, New York:** Cable to Barings
Requesting information of 6th Earl of Hardwicke; report on the 'Round Bale System' [American Cotton Co?]
4. **1899 11 Apr, New York:** To Thomas Baring
Kidder Peabody & Co and wool credits, and the woollen industry; CR Flint and the Rubber Co; Baring Magoun & Co and negotiations for the issue of the Central Foundry Co; the South Carolina Loan & Trust Co; the American Cotton Co; Lord Revelstoke due to leave USA 15 Apr 1899 See HC5.2.39 (1899)
5. **1900 29 Aug, Aix les Bains:** To FH Baring
About credits in the Argentine Advance operation (HC4.1.209)
6. **1900 24 Sep, New York:** To WB Gair
The presidential election campaigns; character of Cecil Baring, a new partner in Baring Magoun & Co
7. **1901 Apr, New York & London:** Telegrams (6) exchanged with Barings
Intense speculation in railway stock in New York affecting British government's decision on placing consols in that market; sale of part of Barings' Great Northern Railroad stock (HC5.24.3); Barings' share in Rothschild's consols syndicate; proposal to buy Amalgamated Copper stock
8. **1902 Apr, New York & London:** Telegrams (12) exchanged with Baring
The Chile-Argentine crisis; the issue by the British government of £32 million consols; JJ Hill and the Northern Pacific railway
9. **1903 7 Sep, London:** Barings to Lord Revelstoke in Paris
The request of the National Bank of Deutschland to buy remainder of Fleischmann's bonds for public sale in Berlin; seeking Lord Revelstoke's comments
10. **1903 Sep-Oct, Boston, London and New York:** Telegrams (12) exchanged with Barings
Dealings in railroad stocks; state of money market; state of crops; investment in US stocks by Banque de Paris; preference for placing shares of the Great Northern Railroad rather than Union Pacific Railroad; Iselius and Gallatin Bank

1.20.18a cont

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Cecil Baring, 3rd Lord Revelstoke, 1864-1934

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Cecil Baring was second son of Edward C, 1st Lord Revelstoke (HC1.20.13). He joined Barings in 1885 and was sent out to join Kidder Peabody in New York. In 1891 on the dissolution of Kidder Peabody & Co (HC5.1.27), he became, together with George Magoun and the other partners of the former Kidder Peabody & Co., New York, a partner of Baring Magoun & Co, New York (HC5.2.39). He became a director of Barings in 1911. He succeeded his brother John as 3rd Lord in 1929 and was senior partner from then until his death

1. **1895 6 Aug, New York:** To FH Baring
Explaining the action of Baring Magoun & Co in allowing a temporary excess of credit for Morton Bliss & Co, New York, in the form of 60-day bills drawn on Norton Rose & Co, London (HC3.108)
2. **1899 24 Feb, New York:** To Thomas Baring [typescript, seven pages]
The writer's visit to the steel works at Pittsburgh of Park Brother & Co Ltd (later the Park Steel Co). Description of the buildings and their location on the Allegheny River; their assessed value; description of the processes carried out at the works in the manufacture of open-hearth and crucible steel; the income and expenditure of the company; its prospects. For the formation of the Park Steel Co see HC5.2.39 (1899)
3. **1899 21 Jul, New York:** To John, Lord Revelstoke
Negotiations between Barings and Baring Magoun & Co for exchange operations in cotton bills on Paton & Co and Cunningham & Hinshaw (HC3.154); with memoranda concerning the proposals

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Robert Kirkman Hodgson, died 1924

Robert Kirkman Hodgson was son of Kirkman Daniel Hodgson, and in 1890 was appointed a director of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd. He became

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a partner on 1 Jan 1882 and retired 31 Dec 1909. He was concerned with the business of Grant's Sicilian Estates (HC12.2)

1. **1900 25 Jun, Longparish, Hampshire:** To FH Baring
Sending an appeal by Howard Morley on behalf of an association of nurses; holiday news

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Archibald Cameron Norman

Archibald Cameron Norman was the son of Charles Loyd Norman. He became a partner on 24 Feb 1890. On the formation of Baring Brothers & Co Ltd in Nov 1890 he was appointed its Secretary but was not appointed a director. He retired shortly afterwards

1. **1902 16 Feb, Bromley Common, Kent:** To Barings

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Asking for a report on Wallace Brothers of Bombay and London: 'I believe that their business is an excellent one in every way....'

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Gaspard Farrer

Gaspard Farrer was the son of Sir William Farrer and was born in 1860 and educated at Eton. He was a partner in the Farrer family firm of HS Lefevre and Co from 1880 until 1935 and a director of Barings from 1902 until 1924. He therefore had the rare distinction of being a principal in two accepting houses. He had a close knowledge of the North American industrial and banking world and was personally acquainted with many of its principal personalities, especially James J Hill (HC24.4) for whom he had a great admiration. He remained a bachelor throughout his life and died in 1946

Note:Farrer's letter books are at DEP33

1. **1903 Jun, New York:** Telegrams with details of financial situation
2. **1904 Mar-Apr, New York:** Telegrams with details of state of New York market; James Stillman's decline of Japanese business during the Russo-Japanese War

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1832-50: Peter A Labouchere to Joshua Bates

Includes:

1832: The marriage of his brother, Charles Labouchere at Nantes

1832-33: Preparations for his voyage to China, where, through the help of Joshua Bates, he was to go as a supercargo [he had formerly been a member of Barings]; his arrival in Canton, cFeb 1833; return to Europe cJul 1833

1838: His attempt to be a professional painter fails; he seeks to return to mercantile life

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1839 Sep-Dec, Paris; Personal finance; his marriage; birth of Joshua Bates' grandchild, Van de Weyer

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1832-53: J Charles Labouchere to Joshua Bates

Includes:

1832: A school at Nantes chosen by JC Labouchere for William Bates, son of Joshua Bates; operations in pepper from Sumatra (ship Cathinka); indigo trade from Calcutta; cotton from New Orleans; other trade

1833-53: General mercantile affairs of Le Havre, where JC Labouchere had set up in business as a merchant

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1853 20 Sep: ‘...I hear that you are making yourselves very smart and comfortable in Bishopsgate St.’ See EP1

Note: JC Labouchere was brother of PA Labouchere See HC1.21

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1830-52: Letters from, and correspondence about, George Baring

1. **1830 14 Sep, Florence:** To Barings
Asking them to honour drafts drawn in his name for £2,800
2. **1833 Jan-Feb, Leghorn & London:** Correspondence of Barings and H Routh and A Garland of Leghorn
About the affairs of George Baring; his probable bankruptcy; Routh & Garland a creditor
3. **1851-52, Southampton:** To Thomas Baring
Securing an overdraft on his personal account

Note: George Baring (1781-1854) was fifth son of Sir Francis Baring

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1834-67: Letters from Charles Baring; and after his death

1. **1834 13 July, Runcombe, North Carolina:** To H St. J Mildmay
Wishing to mortgage a plantation in South Carolina
2. **1861 25 Jun, Flat Rock, North Carolina:** To Thomas Baring
Charles Baring cut off from news of his son Alexander who was at school in England; asking Thomas Baring to obtain permission from the Foreign Office for Alexander’s letters to be sent in the diplomatic bag to Washington; news of the Civil War; with Thomas Baring’s correspondence with the Foreign Office, Jul-Nov 1861, about the transit of letters
3. **1865 7 Aug, Flat Rock:** To Thomas Baring
Conditions during the Civil War; the planters’ situation; his son Alexander in England
4. **1867 8 Apr, Flat Rock:** Constance Baring (widow of Charles Baring) to Thomas Baring
Her plans for the future; seeking advice
Note: Charles Baring was eldest son of Charles Baring of Exeter (1742-1849)

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1832, London: John Joyce to Joshua Bates
The writer’s invention of a machine for making nails; prospect of great financial profit; seeking a purchaser; also expressing admiration of Alexander Baring’s views on Reform

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1830 4 May, Bahia, Brazil: Henry Hill, retired US Consul at Rio, to Alexander Baring

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Offering to the British Government his 'New System of Public Finance'

- 1.27 **1828-36, Ipswich:** RR Wormley, US citizen, to J Bates
Personal finance
- 1.28 Not used
- 1.29 **1831-47, Hamburg, Copenhagen & New York:** Henry & C Wheaton (probably brothers) to J Bates
Personal finance; Bates refuses to lend £500, such a loan being against the rules of the House
- 1.30 Not used
- 1.31 **1831, London:** E Littell (perhaps a US citizen) to J Bates
Personal business
- 1.32 **1832-34:** AJ Smith to J Bates
Dispute over a shipment of sugar
- 1.33 **1832, London [?], 1832:** Newton & Berry, solicitors, to J Bates
About the invention of Mr Markland (US citizen) of an improved machine for dressing flax; patenting the machine
- 1.34 **1832, Florence:** Thomas Cole to J Bates
Trying to sell his pictures to honour his debt to Bates
- 1.35 **1829, Liverpool:** HC Mackay, ship's master, to J Bates
About to return to Boston; a box of bonnets sent by Mrs Bates to friends in the US
- 1.36 **1829 1 Apr, Boston:** Thomas Thaxter to Joshua Bates
General review of trade in the US
- 1.37 **1829 30 Aug, London:** James Barbour to J Bates
Personal and family news; Barbour about to sail for the US
- 1.38 **1829 7 Oct, Rotterdam:** Joshua Nash to J Bates
Personal business
- 1.39 **[1831] 7 Apr:** Washington Irving to J Bates
Personal finance
- 1.40 **1831 16 May, Windsor, Vermont:** Lebbens Bates to J Bates
Asking to be released from honouring a promissory note (\$40) given many years before to J Bates' father, and now held by J Bates; also family news
- 1.41 **1831 27 May, New York:** William W de Forest to J Bates
General review of US trade; corn trade

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- 1.42 **1831 23 Dec, Bremen:** E Klugkist to J Bates
Personal news; D Watjen of Bremen See HC14.3.5
- 1.43 **1832 14 Jun, London:** Charles Kerr to J Bates
About expenses of the house, No.12 Devonshire Street
- 1.44 Not used
- 1.45 **1823 London:** Executors of the will of the late Charles Wall (one of whom was Sir Thomas Baring, 2nd baronet) to Barings
Settlement of the estate; CB Wall a beneficiary
- 1.46 **1830 31 Dec, Friday:** The London Gazette containing on p2740, a notice of the dissolution, by mutual consent, of existing partnership of Barings; with announcement of new partnership; printed
Dissolved partners: Alexander Baring, Francis Baring, Humphrey St. John Mildmay, Joshua Bates, Thomas Baring, John Baring
New Partners: As above, less Alexander Baring
- 1.47 **1833 28 Oct, London:** Minutes of a meeting of creditors to wind up the affairs of Rickards Mackintosh & Co; printed
- 1.48a **1836 6 Mar, Pointe Breeze [USA]:** Joseph Bonaparte, Count Survilliers, to J Bates
Personal news; the writer's ill-health; intention of visiting Europe
See also LEG 35
- 1.48b **1836 20 Jul, London:** Prospectus of a meeting of the directors of the Bank of India, for the purpose of electing solicitors for the bank, and for other business
- 1.48c **No place or date [Dec 1836]:** Anonymous letter to J Bates
Threatening to expose him [or Barings?] if he continued with the establishment of 'this swindling African trading company'
- 1.49 **[1838?] 25 May:** HB Cowing to his uncle [J Bates?]
About ship-message to USA
- 1.50 **1838 12 Jun, London:** Peek Brothers & Co to Barings
The London tea-market; bad effect of private importers underselling the East India Co
- 1.51 **1837 29 Apr, Mayence:** Humann & Mappes, wine merchants, to J Bates
Sending their bill for £33.18.0 for 9 dozen bottles of Graefenberg, Hattenheimer and other Rhine wine
- 1.52 **1830 30 Sep, Paris**
Translation of a letter signed 'J Ingres, Member of the Institute, and beginning 'Messieurs, You have done me the honour to ask my opinion of the

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picture in your possession representing a Virgin by Raphael called 'Jardiniere'...

Declaring the picture to be undoubtedly by Raphael; giving reasons

Endorsed: 'Chas. Williams with an opinion about La Jardiniere'

- 1.53 **1832 Oct-Dec, no place:** Extracts from letters of an unnamed firm to Barings about the purchase of flax on Barings' order
- 1.54 **1832 12 Dec:** Alexander & Co, commission agents, to Barings Failure of Alexander, after the failure of Palmer & Co
- 1.55 **1832 22 Dec, Stamp Office:** Charles Pressly to J Bates Allowance for bill stamps which had become useless on the dissolution of the firm of J Bates & J Baring
- 1.56 **1833 24 May, London:** HS Cooke, Secretary of Bolivar Mining Association, to J Bates About sale of shares of the Association
- 1.57 **1833 26 Jul, London:** G Gibson, official assignee of the estate of TA Pucken, bankrupt, to J Bates Announcing a final dividend of 5d in the pound; J Bates a creditor
- 1.58 **1833 17 Sep, London Dock:** Thomas C Dounie, Superintendent at the Dock, to Barings Concerning the adaptation of warehouses on the north side of the dock for the reception of East India goods; the goods were to be classified, and suitable storage created for each class
- 1.59 **1834-44, St. Katherine Docks:** Secretary, St Katherine Dock Co, to Barings
- 1834:** Enclosing regulations for receipt of money obtained at sales at the dock; printed
- 1842:** Regretting that the dock has not received the patronage of Barings although Lord Ashburton was the promoter of the dock
- 1844:** Duties on tallow
- 1.60 **1834 Dec-1835 Jan, London:** Henry Ewbank to J Bates Funeral of Mr Joyce; safeguarding the patent of a new invention by Mr Slocum
- 1.61 **1834 23 Feb, London:** D Pelham to J Bates Details of a freight and passenger list
- 1.62 **1835 8 Apr, Canterbury:** MT Miette to J Bates About French invention of new machinery for manufacture of wool

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- 1.63 **1835-43, Manchester:** Samuel D Bradford, merchant, to J Bates
Report on Manchester trade, and on joint-stock banks there
- 1.64 **1837 25 Jan, London:** RB Petrie to James Wilkinson
Complaining of a circular on the subject of sales of indigo, published by Wilkinson
- The circular described Lord Combermere as 'having descended to the meanness of "again hoaxing the Buyers"'
- 1.65 **1833-1902, Drapers Hall, London:** E & J Lawford and successors, Solicitors, to Barings
- Note:** The Lawford brothers were Barings' principal solicitors. They were concerned with counsel; in litigation involving the house; with the drawing up of articles of partnership; with provision of powers of attorney; and with patents
- After 1855, the firm of Lawford & Waterhouse takes the place of E & J Lawford in the records of Barings. This may mark the retirement of the two brothers, and the formation of a new firm by HS Lawford, nephew of E & J Lawford, who joined his uncles' firm c1885
- 1833-55:** The letters for this period are of a general nature, and include bills rendered for professional services. Includes letters (Dec 1833 & Feb 1834) to Bates regarding land transactions and damage to his carriage. For other such bills rendered, see HC3.35 (1838) See also LEG 9,18,22,38
- 1856:** Settlement of the estate of Philip Storey and his wife, Lydia (nee Baring); with counsel's opinion (Charles Hall)
- 1857:** The case of Lady English versus Sir Thomas Baring
- 1858:** Ceylon estates (HC6.3.7)
- 1861:** Settlement of the Ceylon estates of the late Baron de Delmar (HC6.3.22); copy of the will of his widow, Emily, Baronness de Delmar, 1858; Lapps Island estate (HC3.15a): the title of Barings to this property
- 1863:** Legal opinion concerning an American ship burned at sea by the Alabama; negotiations for the sale of Barings' Peradenia estate, Ceylon (HC6.3.7), and of Singhia indigo plantation (HC6.3.8)
- 1.65 cont **1864:** Sale of Ceylon estates; a loan to Captain Robert Baring
- 1865-1901:** No documents
- 1902 26 Aug:** Single letter to WB Gair; Hugo Baring's trusteeship
- 1.66 Not used

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- 1.67 **1833:** 'Statement of the property on which the holders of the notes of Brown & Clapham have to claim...'

Cereals held by Cropper Benson & Co, of Liverpool, and other houses in northern England and Scotland
- 1.68 **c1836:** List of subscribers, with amounts subscribed, to the monument to Gilbert Stuart Newton, RA, to be erected in Wimbledon Churchyard

Lord Ashburton, Francis Baring and H St John Mildmay contribute £10.10.0 each, J Bates £21
- 1.69 **1833 27 Sep, Oundle:** William Bates to his father, Joshua Bates
Seeking to buy a horse for £22
- 1.70 **1833-66; London:** Henry Labouchere (created Viscount Taunton in 1866) to Thomas Baring and Joshua Bates
Agreeing to leave £50,000 with Barings till 31 Dec 1833 at 4%; bankruptcy of Henry Lefevre; character of Hugh CE Childers (HC6.4.5); personal investment in the Russian loan, 1866
- 1.71 **1837 Aug, London and Liverpool:** Correspondence of Bush & Masters, and of Barings Liverpool, with Barings
Concerning the disappearance of mail addressed to Barings (London) from two packet ships, the Europe and the South America, in transit from New York to Liverpool. The correspondence includes written statements of the method of handling mail on board the ships, and of procedure on arrival at Liverpool; passenger lists. The missing mail contained 120 bonds of the Bank of the United States, and 37 bonds of the Farmers' Loan Co
- 1.72 **1833 24 Feb, Paris:** WB Finch (US Navy?) to Joshua Bates
About the family of J Bates, Lucretia, William and Elizabeth Bates, who were then in Paris; family news
- 1.73 **1836 16 Jan, Patent Office:** Warning notice of an application for a patent by James Noble the elder, wool-comber, of Commercial Rd, for improvements in the combing of wool and other fibrous substances
- 1.74 **1859 19 Sep [no place given]:** Lady Elizabeth Stafford to Joshua Bates
Two letters asking his advice regarding stocks
- 1.75 **c1839:** 'Traduction du Batti Scheriff lu dans la reunion qui a en lieu a Goulhune le 3 Novembre 1839'
Concerning the Ottoman Empire
- 1.76 **1840 3 Apr, London:** The Circular to Bankers, No 612; printed
- 1.77 **1840 25 Jul, Hounslow:** J Poulson to Joshua Bates

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Introducing his son-in-law, Mr Borghers, of Paris, who wished to take in pupils; with a prospectus

- 1.78 **1841-43 London:** Two open letters to the Secretary of State for the Colonies (Stanley), concerning emigration to New South Wales; with tables of the monetary and commercial affairs of the colony, 1838-40; all printed
- 1.79 **1842 1 Feb, Dublin:** West India Association of Dublin to Secretary of State for the Colonies (Stanley); printed
About the need to encourage immigration of 'coloured' workers into the West Indies
- 1.80 **1842 Nov, 8 Bishopsgate:** Correspondence with Sir John Hall about insurance against fire of warehouses at St. Katherine's Dock See also HC1.59
- 1.81 **1843 20 Jun, London:** HO & A Robinson
Circular concerning improvements in the manufacture of cane sugar; printed
- 1.82 **1827 Feb, London:** Specifications of four 'small enameled gold watches' to be made by Pybus, of Old Compton St, for the Emperor of China; with a note of the price and date of delivery
- 1.83 **1840-58, London & Bute:** William Bingham Baring, 2nd Lord Ashburton, to Barings
Personal business
- 1.84 **1842 May-Jun, Great Yarmouth:** Elizabeth Cubitt to Thomas Baring
Complaining about the treatment of her son, Frederick Goddard, by Captain Hale aboard the Alexander Baring, to which ship he was apprenticed, after service in the Falcon (Captain Mitchell); with statements by Goddard and Captain Hale of what occurred
- 1.85 **1843 24 Nov, London:** J Hudson, tobacconist, to Thomas Baring
Asking if the rumours were true that Barings were about to move from Bishopsgate to 'the large stone building in Lothbury opposite the Bank, and my surveyor has twice been asked if that House was not building for your Firm'
- Note:** Hudson owned a number of freeholds in Lothbury
- 1.86 **1835-45:** Letters to Joshua Bates from various people concerning miscellaneous business
- Note:** These documents were found in bundles as now classified
1. **1835-37:** Letters mostly from the United States, or from American citizens travelling abroad
 2. **1844-45:** Letters from various people. Including printed catalogue of a sale of pictures by Christie & Manson, 24 May 1845, with some prices marked

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- 1.87 **1844-46, Paris:** JV Corbin, American citizen, to Joshua Bates
US politics; Henry Clay; James Polk; the presidential election of 1844;
prospects for the future
- 1.88 **1845 5 Mar, London:** Sir William Clay MP to J Bates
Apologizing for using Bates's name in a speech in the House of Commons on
the sugar duties
- 1.89 **1845 12 Mar, London:** City of London Truss Society
Engraved certificate recording a vote of thanks of the Society to Barings for a
donation of 10 guineas to the society
- 1.90 **1846 Jan-Feb, Liverpool St, London:** Richard Jeune, tax collector for the
ward of Bishopsgate, to Barings
Asking to be compensated by Barings, who had compounded on their income
tax, thereby depriving the collector of his poundage; mentioning that
Rothschilds had behaved liberally towards their tax collector in the same
circumstances
- 1.91 **1847, Paris:** William Frederick Baring to Barings
Settlement of his mother's estate; personal business; Monsieur du Blaiset
- 1.92 **1847 21 Jun, London:** WH Bennett to Thomas Baring
Inquiring whether Mr Gisbon was a partner of Barings and whether he would
stand for Parliament for the borough of Berwick on Tweed
- 1.93 **1847 31 Dec:** The London Gazette containing on p 4805, notice of
dissolution of existing partnership of Humphrey St. John Mildmay in Barings,
London and Liverpool, continuing partners in both houses are Francis Baring,
Joshua Bates, Thomas Baring, CB Young Printed See also HC1.46
- 1.94 **1848-55 London:** Letters of Louis Napoleon Bonaparte, Emperor Napoleon
III, to Joshua Bates and to Barings
1. **1848 25 Jan, King St, London:** To Joshua Bates
Requesting to overdraw his private account at Barings, and
suggesting a maximum amount of £1,000 at any time

Annotated by J Bates: 'Guaranteed £500 29 Jan 1848'
 2. **1855 London:** Colonel Fleury to Barings
Asking for a statement of the Emperor's account
- 1.95 **1848 9 Feb, London:** Charles Enderby to M McChlery
Asking him to enlist the help of Thomas Baring in starting a company for the
re-establishment of the Southern Whale Fisheries

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- 1.96 **c1849 Apr, London:** Notice of a public dinner to be given to Charles Enderby to mark the grant of a royal charter of incorporation for the Southern Whale Fishery, and the grant of the Auckland Islands to this fishery; printed
- 1.97 **1849 1 Jan, Paris:** General Henri Dembinsky
A statement, in the form of an open letter, of the writer's work for the unity of Slavic peoples under the Austrian Empire; events in Europe in 1848; printed
- 1.98 **1849 22 Jan, Brussels:** FX Servais, surgeon, of Brussels to Barings
In June 1848 Servais had attended Mrs John Baring who had been taken suddenly ill in Brussels; Servais cured her; he sent in his bill, but John Baring left Brussels without paying it; now requests to be paid
- 1.99 **1849 14 Mar, London:** George Christian to Thomas Baring
The state of commercial affairs in England; the effect of the Irish famines and of events in Europe in 1848
- 1.100 **1849 13 Jun, Cork:** AA Boardman to Barings
Causes of destitution in Ireland; outlook for the future
- 1.101 **1849 Aug-Dec, Spa & Leyden:** Charles Louis Bonaparte to J Bates
Personal finance
- 1.102 **1839 Feb, London:** Correspondence of David Charles Guthrie and Joshua Bates concerning the latter's house, 12 Portland Place
Purchase of the lease by Guthrie; description of the rooms, and of their fittings
- 1.103 **1840 8 Feb, Bristol:** John Conell to Joshua Bates
Berths in the Great Western booked for J Bates and Mrs Bates, sailing from Bristol 15 Apr 1840, for the USA
- 1.104 **1840-48 Italy and France:** Vincent Nolte to Thomas Baring and to Barings
Asking for references, and other aids, in a succession of jobs in Europe; and finally hoping to go to the USA See also HC4.5.5; HC7.4; LEG7-8
- 1.105 **1841, London:** G Joy to Barings
Personal finance and litigation
- 1.106 **1843 Sep, London:** Ditchburn & Mares, ship and steam boat builders of Blackwall
Lists of 38 steam vessels giving name, horsepower and tonnage; price-list for the manufacture of marine engines
- 1.107 **1843-50, Paris and Liverpool:** J Jameson to Thomas Baring
French politics and finance; proposals for French railways; Louis Napoleon
- 1.108 **1844, Paris:** Mario du Blaiset to Thomas Baring
Personal affairs and finance

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- 1.109 **1850, London:** Sir F Baring, 3rd baronet, later 1st Lord Northbrook
1. **1850 9 Aug, Admiralty:** To CB Young [?]
Asking for introduction in Hamburg, Keel and Copenhagen for Lt Col Stevens, who was being sent incognito to look at the Russian fleet in the Baltic
 2. **1853 10 Jul, London:** To CB Young
Personal finance
 3. **1862 12-16 Apr, Stratton:** To Thomas Baring
Attempt to establish the British nationality of Alexander Baring, son of Charles Baring (HC1.24); he was born in the USA, and now wished to enter the Royal Navy
- 1.110 **1851 9 Jan, Twickenham:** Thomas Twining to Thomas Baring
Soliciting help for G Shaw, who had fallen on hard times
- 1.111 **1852 9 Mar, London:** Louisa Baring to Joshua Bates
Investing £6000
- 1.112 **1848, France:** A de Bacourt to Joshua Bates and to Thomas Baring
Personal finance; the death of Joshua Bates (1864)
- 1.113 **1852 29 Oct, London:** JW May, of the Netherlands Consulate, to Barings
Recommending KP Reehorst, author of *The Mariner's Friend*, as a translator
- 1.114 **1815-53:** Documents concerning quicksilver. Correspondence, memoranda and calculations of various operations undertaken by Barings in quicksilver; beginning with purchase from the Austrian Government in 1815 See HC9.1; HC4.8.1; and following
- 1.115 **1852 Aug, London:** JCB Davis to Joshua Bates [?]
The dispute between Britain and the USA over fishing rights in the Bay of Fundy
- 1.116 **1852 9 Sep, London:** Committee of Relief at Gustavia, Island of St Bartholomew, Leeward Islands, to Barings
Thanking Barings for a donation of £20 towards relief of the sufferers by 'the late conflagration' at Gustavia
- 1.117 **1853 11 Jan, Whitehall:** EA Bowring to Thomas Baring
The strained state of Anglo-American relations; seeking Thomas Baring's opinion on measures to improve relations
- 1.118 **1853 14 Mar, Eaton:** Henry Bingham Baring (eldest son of Henry Baring) to Thomas Baring
For Henry Baring see HC1.20.11

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- 1.119 **1853 Mar-May, Paris:** E Pascallet, editor of the monthly review 'Le Biographe Universel Revue Generale....' to Barings
Concerning a history of Barings about to be published in the Revue (2nd series, beginning at vol 29)
- Note:** Pascallet had founded the Revue in 1841
- 1.120 **1853 17 May, Trieste:** Obituary notice of Aron Isach, Nobile de Parente, merchant and ship owner; printed
- 1.121 **1853 7 Jul, Barnes:** T Wiggins to Barings
Enclosing a printed appeal for funds for Jubilee College, Illinois, USA
- Note:** The College was founded by Bishop Chase, Bishop of Illinois; and former benefactors included Sir Thomas Baring, Alexander Baring, and John Deacon
- 1.122 **1853 23 Dec, London:** Anonymous letter to Barings
Giving warning about the movements of Russian naval forces in the vicinity of British ships homeward bound with bullion
- 1.123 **1854 25 Jun, London:** Humphrey Mildmay, eldest son of H St J Mildmay (HC1.20.2); to Thomas Baring
Settlement of the estate of H St J Mildmay (he died 1853); personal finance; entrusting £50,000 to Barings
- 1.124 **1855 9 Oct, London:** Anonymous letter ('A Friend') to Barings
The treacherous character of Napoleon III; prophesying an imminent war between Britain and France
- 1.125 **1848 Mar, Rome:** Prince CP Bonaparte to Barings and to Joshua Bates
Personal finance; the settlement of the estate in the USA of Joseph Bonaparte, Comte de Survilliers (see LEG 35); political events in Italy
- 1.126 **1856 16 Jan, Nice:** TW Ward, the younger, to Joshua Bates
Concerning the death of 'John' [Ward ?] at Nice on 15 Jan
- 1.127 **1856 8 Mar, Paris:** Brooke Greville to Thomas Baring
Personal finance
- 1.128 **1856 19 Mar, London:** L Bunn & Co to Barings
Estimate 'for covering your Office with Kamptulicon complete...'
(Approximately £50)
- 1.129 **1857 9 Mar, no place:** Sarah Emma Martin to Barings
Thanking Barings for a gift of £25
- 1.130 **1857 24 Mar, Paris:** Casimir Leconte [to Thomas Baring]
Recommending the work of the artist Fogelberg, and sending a book about him, written by Leconte

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- 1.131 **1857 1 May, London:** John Turner to Barings
Complaining of conditions on board the ship Patrick Henry, said to belong to Barings, and lying in the Pool of London before starting for New York; the bad state of 1st and 2nd class cabins; the lack of service
- 1.132a **1857 France, Tocqueville (Manche):** A de Tocqueville to Thomas Baring
[?]
Personal finance; shares of the Central Michigan railway; the company suspends payments
- 1.132b **1858 Jul, London:** J Van Buren, son of Martin Van Buren, USA President 1837-41, to Joshua Bates
Personal business on a visit to Europe from America, enclosing a letter from his father
- 1.133 **1858 1 Aug, St Helier, Jersey:** Mrs HP White, widow of Colonel Ferdinand White, CB, to Barings
Asks to borrow £100 to furnish a cottage in Jersey. For Ferdinand White see HC4.1.24
- 1.134 **1859 Mar-Nov, London:** Francis Lyne, Chairman of the Courts of Commerce Assoc, to Barings
Concerning the association, the object of which was to have legislation introduced into Parliament for the establishment of special tribunals for the hearing of commercial cases; Barings considered such courts to be unnecessary
- 1.135 **1859 21 May, London:** John Labouchere to Barings
Settlement of the estate of his mother, Mrs D Labouchere, of which he was executor
- 1.136 **1859 16 Sep, Malvern:** Adile d'Uliniu [?] to Joshua Bates
Investment of personal money in American stock
- 1.137 **c1860 London:** Russell Ellice to Thomas Baring
Requesting letters of credit for his nephew Harry Chaplin, and for Dr Roe, on a journey to Canada and the USA
- 1.138 Not used
- 1.139 **1861 Apr-May, London:** Documents in the partial settlement of the estate of Francis de P Falconnet, deceased
Including N de P Falconnet, his widow, to Thomas Baring, Naples Apr 1861: about the death of her husband in Mar 1861, and his financial affairs

Note: Francis de P Falconnet was in debt to Barings to the extent of £3,500
- 1.140 **1861 8 Aug, Strasbourg:** J Wagner to Thomas Baring

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Concerning Drummond Baring who had agreed to rent rooms from Wagner, and had subsequently failed to occupy them or to pay rent

- 1.141 **1861 13 Sep, London:** Richard Green to Thomas Baring
Asking for his support in the establishment, in the Pool of London, of a training ship for cadets for the merchant navy to be modelled on the training ship Conway at Liverpool
- 1.142 **1862 20 Mar, London:** Correspondence between the Mercantile Law Amendment Society and J Bates
Concerning payment of Barings' subscription to the society
- 1.143 **1862 May-Jun, London:** D Meinertzhage, Treasurer of the German Hospital, London, to Barings
Seeking a donation to the hospital
- 1.144 **1862 14 Jun, London:** EN Rahusen, Netherlands delegate to the assembly of the National Association for Encouragement of Social Science
Thanks for hospitality received from Barings during the assembly
- 1.145 Miscellaneous Papers

Note: These papers were found together in a locked box, the key of which was mislaid when work began on the classification of the Archives of Barings. The key was found, and the box opened, in January 1962

1. **1796 30 Apr:** Lease by Roger Boehm of Sunbury, Middlesex, to John Prinsep of Leadenhall St:

Premises: a piece of ground (3ft 8ins by 2ft 6ins) part of the premises now on lease to William Bosanquet, situated behind his dwelling house in Bishopsgate St and adjoining to the back front (sic) of the dwelling house of John Prinsep; ground to be used only as an area or opening before a window in the basement storey of John Prinsep's house

Lease: for an unspecified term; with three months notice to quit in lieu of rent; Prinsep to keep the area, and brickwork and ironwork of the same, in good repair; Bosanquet agrees to the lease

Endorsed: 1796 30 Apr, agreement for the area in Mr Bosanquet's premises See also LEG 42
2. **1804 May-Jun, London:** Letters (2) from Capt MCJ de Westerholt to Sir Francis Baring
The writer's service in the war; the causes of his financial difficulties; Sir Francis Baring lends him £130
3. **1805 30 May, London:** Partridge, Beddome, & Petrie

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Promissory note to Sir Francis Baring, to pay him £30 on 1 Jun 1809, at 5%. Endorsed with requests of interest paid, 1806-26

4. **1805 31 Oct, London:** J Barraud to Sir Francis Baring
Promissory note for payment to Sir Francis of £100
5. **1805-28:** Bundle of miscellaneous papers, put aside by Joshua Bates, and labeled in his hand 'Very old papers, including James Munroe's (sic) note for £4436 & Viscount de Palmella's do. for £2500 ... JB'

The documents are:

- (i) **1805:** Francis Baring & Co and others with James Mackenzie and Alexander Glennie
Concerning acceptance of bills by F Baring & Co
- (ii) **1807 27 Oct, London:** James Monroe (President USA, 1817-25)
Promissory note to Barings for £4446.3.11 at 5%
- (iii) **1825 1 Feb, Newcastle:** Nathaniel Clayton to Barings
Concerning the payment of a jointure to Mrs Mullyer [?] formerly Mrs Atkinson. For Clayton's connection with the Atkinson family, see HC5.3.4
- (iv) **1825 4 Aug, The Grange:** Alexander Baring to Barings
Guaranteeing overdrafts of Mr Kemp [?] and Robert Adair
- (v) **1825-28: University of London:** Official receipts for installments paid, by Sir Thomas Baring, Alexander Baring, H Labouchere, SC Holland, and TH Ernst, on shares in the University

The receipts are signed by members of the Council of the University, including Zachary Macauley, George Grote, James Mill, and Joseph Hume
- (vi) **1826 20 Jul, London:** Charles Campbell & J Deacon to Barings
About a dividend to be paid to creditors of Inglis & Co, failed c1823
Barings were creditors for £5000
- (vii) **1826 Oct, London:** Barings with Martin, Stone & Stone (HC3.38)
Concerning investigations into forged endorsements on acceptances by Barings See also HC3.88
- (viii) **1827 4 Dec, London:** Marquis de Palmella
Promissory note to Barings for £2500 at 5%, paid 12 Jan 1828

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- (ix) **1827-28:** George William Ricketts
Official receipts for annual premiums paid by him to the Rock Life Assurance Co, and the Society for Equitable Assurances on Lives and Survivorships
- (x) **1828 4 Jan:** Spark & Moline [?] to Thomas Baring
Acknowledging receipt of 19 chests and 10 boxes containing books and papers belonging to the estate of Charles Herries & Co

6. **1806 25 Feb:** Bond for £2500
Sir Francis Baring, Charles Wall, Thomas Baring, Alexander Baring, Henry Baring to Charlotte Murray, widow, of Titchfield St, Marylebone, Middlesex

The condition of the bond was that Sir Francis Baring and the others would pay to Charlotte Murray an annuity of £125, in liquidation of their debt to her of £1,250, dating from 1 Sep 1805. With copy of extract from a letter from Alexander Baring to Mrs Murray, 31 Dec 1806, informing her of an increase, from £125 to £150, in the annuity payable to her by Barings under the conditions of the bond

7. **1814 21 Sep, Savage Gardens, London:** N Dennys to Thomas Nixson
Proposals as to how the writer may honour his obligations under a bond for £2000 in which he is held to Sir Thomas Baring. For Thomas Nixson, a partner, see HC1.20.6
8. **1828 2 Apr, London:** Probate of the will of Johan Cordt Harmens, merchant, late of Bergen, Norway
Anna Harmens, widow, executrix; estate under £5000
9. **1828, c30 Jun:** List of consignments of goods outwards not yet liquidated on 30 Jun 1828
With names of ships, specifications of cargoes, and names of firms to which they were consigned by Barings; with statements of amounts of cargoes sold, and amounts remaining yet unsold
10. **1835 22 May, Bishopsgate St, London**
Form of consent by the other partners of Barings that Thomas Baring should become surety for the Rt Hon Henry Labouchere [later Baron Taunton] to the extent of £5000

Signed by Francis Baring, H St. J Mildmay, Joshua Bates and John Baring

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1863 18 May: Constance Lady Temple to Thomas Baring [?]

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Concerning the children of Mary, Lady Temple (who died May 1863) daughter of George Baring, 5th son of Sir Francis Baring, and widow of Sir Grenville Temple, 10th baronet See HC1.148

- 1.148 **1863 21 May, London:** M & F Davidson, solicitors, to Barings
Enquiry about the settlements of the affairs of Mary, Lady Temple, who died May 1863 See HC1.147
- 1.149 **1863 26 Nov, Cavendish Place, London:** Dr John Ericksen to Russell Sturgis
Report on ill-health of Joshua Bates
- 1.150 **1864 10 Nov, London:** Belle Boyd Hardinge [Belle Boyd, the American writer] to Russell Sturgis
Seeking a loan from Barings against promise of royalties for her latest book, to be published by Chapman & Hall; with Russell Sturgis's reply sending the money
- 1.151 **1864 27 Dec, Brighton:** Frederick Baring to EC Baring
Personal finance; the Buckenham estate, Norfolk
- 1.152 **1865 11 Jan, London**
Draft of a petition of merchants and bankers to the Postmaster General, appealing against the present system of dispatching mails to India, China and Australia, and giving proposals for an improved system
- Note:** The petition is not signed, but it would seem that Barings became one of the signatories
- 1.153 **1865 London:** Sylvian Van de Weyer to Thomas Baring
Returning a begging letter sent by Baroness Mertens to Thomas Baring, and advising the latter to have nothing to do with the baroness; recording the assistance given to her by Joshua Bates
- 1872 31 Oct, New Lodge, Windsor Forest:** Elizabeth Van de Weyer to Thomas Baring
Peace between Argentina and Brazil; seeking advice about the disposal of her holding of Argentine bonds
- 1.154 **1866 Jan, Paris:** Marie Alves Biggs, widow of Louis Alves Biggs, and prior to her marriage Marie Dayen, to Barings
Asking for money to relieve her destitute condition, and reminding the House of her friendship in 1837 and 1838 with one of the partners, whose name she has now forgotten
- 1.155 **1866, Sittingbourne:** WF Baring of Sittingbourne to Thomas Baring
Personal finance; his overdraft at Barings See also HC17.240 and HC1.91
- 1.156 **1856, Stratton:** TG Baring, 2nd Lord Northbrook (created 1876 Earl of Northbrook) to Thomas Baring

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The settlement of his father's estate (Francis Thornhill, 1st Lord Northbrook, died 1866): the affairs of Constance Baring (HC1.24). The settlement of the estate of William, 2nd Lord Ashburton, in which TG Baring was an executor and trustee

- 1.157 **1867 4 Jul, London:** Henry Kingscote to Thomas Baring
Distress in the East End of London; scheme for emigration to Canada
- 1.158 **c1864 Mar:** Claire Baring, wife of Francis Baring, who succeeded as 3rd Lord Ashburton, 23 Mar 1864, to Thomas Baring
About financial arrangements for her son Alexander Baring, who succeeded his father as 4th Lord Ashburton, 1868. For Francis Baring see HC1.20.5
- 1.159 **c1864-65:** Draft of a petition, intended to be signed by merchants engaged in trade with Netherlands concerning the action of the Dutch government in seizing sugar in Amsterdam belonging to a British merchant house (perhaps Barings); and deploring the precedent thus set by that government
- 1.160 **1868 13 Jun, London:** Arthur Jago to Thomas Baring
Asking him to take action with the National Lifeboat Institution for the carrying out of the terms of a bequest to the Institution
- Note:** The bequest had been made by Mary Ann Story, widow of Col. Story, 3rd Dragoon Guards, who died 1866. It provided £500 for the provision of a lifeboat and boathouse. The money had been paid by the executors, but so far nothing has been done by the Institution to implement the conditions of the bequest.
- The Story, or Storey, family was related to the Baring family by the marriage, in 1842, of Henry Storey RN, with Marion, daughter of George Baring, 5th son of Sir Francis Baring See HC1.19 and HC1.23
- 1.161 **1869 13 Sep, Windsor:** Arthur Ellis to Thomas Baring
Personal finance; seeking advice on his investments
- 1.162 **1871 18 Mar, Liverpool:** Henry Gair, son of SS Gair, (see HC3.34,35) to Barings
The death of the writer's mother; his appreciation of Baring's services in attending to the private finance of the Gair family
- 1.163 **1871 20 May, London, Whit-Monday:** Henry Young, Hon Secretary of the Committee to prepare a national testimonial to Sir John Lubbock (later Lord Avebury)
- Asking that a principal member of Barings may be nominated for the committee

The testimonial to Sir J Lubbock was to be 'in commemoration of the great national boon which has been obtained by the passing of that thoughtful and happy Act of Legislation - The Bank Holidays Bill'

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The Act was passed 25 May 1871

- 1.164 **1872 26 Nov, Tenby:** Mrs Mary Gwynne, widow, to Barings
Seeking financial aid to prepare for the wedding of her daughter; the writer's financial troubles; the pension from Napoleon III paid to her husband and to herself by Barings until the downfall of the Emperor
- Endorsed by Russell Sturgis, sending £25
- 1.165 **1873 21 Apr, London:** Francis Lyne to Barings
Tribunals for the hearing of commercial cases: continuing his campaign for the establishment of such tribunals; seeking Barings' support, this had been withheld in the past. With copies of two letters by Lyne on the subject, 1850
See HC1.134
- 1.166 **1873 14 Aug, London:** Rev JW Healy, DD, Corresponding Secretary, Freemen's Mission Aid Society (Auxiliary to the American Missionary Assoc), to Barings
- Warning Barings against Col W de B Morrill who was in England soliciting aid for the American Polytechnic Institute, and who was thought to be an impostor
- With printed literature about the Freedmen's Missions Aid Society and the American Polytechnic Institute; and with a receipt for £100 from Barings received by the latter Society
- 1.167 **1873 Aug-Nov, Europe & London:** Louisa Lady Ashburton, 2nd wife and now widow of William, 2nd Lord Ashburton, to Thomas Baring and to EC Baring
Personal finance; seeking to borrow money to pay for work on her new home [perhaps Palace Gate House, Kensington]
- 1.168 **1872 17 Aug, Beddington:** Joseph Laurence to Thomas Baring
Congratulating him on the success of the French Loan (HC7 48-53) 'Allow me ... to say what pleasure my son has had in working for you in it. I take the opportunity of thanking you, very sincerely, for the kindness and confidence shown to him ...'
- 1.169 **1875 6 Apr, Nancy:** E Schneegans to EC Baring
Payment of her allowance; personal finance
- 1.170 **1875-76, Great Winchester St, London:** Surveyor of Taxes, Inland Revenue, to Barings
Calling for income tax returns; comments and queries upon returns submitted
- 1.171 Not used
- 1.172 **1876 14 Sep, London:** William Lloyd to Barings

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Offering his services as an agent abroad, and mentioning 'my connection with your House for the past twenty two years...'

- 1.173 **1876 17 Oct, London:** JB Taylor, secretary of the committee to raise funds for the endowment of the recently established Professorship of Chinese at the University of Oxford, to Barings

Thanking Barings for the promise of a subscription of £100, with a prospectus of the new Professorship, and list of subscribers

- 1.174 **1877 24 Jan, Board of Trade, London:** Edward Stanhope to Barings
Regretting that no place can be found for Captain William Inglis as a Nautical Surveyor, he being over the age of 45. For W Inglis see HC18.1

- 1.175 **1880 28 Jan, Rome:** WW Story to Barings
Personal finance
For the Story family see HC1.160

- 1.176 **1883 29 Sep, Belfast:** Richardson Brothers & Co, merchants
Enclosing printed appeal for funds for the establishment of the Young Men's Home, Belfast, intended for the training of immigrants for careers in business

- 1.177 **1886 25 May, 4 Hamilton Place, London:** TG Baring, 2nd Lord Northbrook to 1st Lord Revelstoke
Enclosing a letter from Sir Evelyn Baring to Lord Northbrook, dated 17 May 1886, Cairo, asking him to find a petroleum expert to go to Egypt immediately to advise the government on ways and means of realizing the oil deposits there [or in Persia?]

Evelyn Baring was writing at the request of Nubar Gulbenkian. He also enclosed in his letter to Lord Northbrook a letter addressed to himself from C Scott Moncrieff, of the Public Works Department, Cairo, on the same subject. The last paragraph of Evelyn Baring's letter to Lord Northbrook reads: 'I am very glad to see that you went for the G.O.M in your capital speech at Alton. He deserves everything bad that can be said to him.'

- 1.178 **1886 Dec, London:** Secretary for the Royal Commission for the Colonial and Indian Exhibition 1886 (Sir Philip Cunliffe-Owen) to Barings

Returning, cancelled, the printed agreement, dated 1 Oct 1885, whereby Barings became a guarantor, to the extent of £1000, of the Exhibition. The deed was witnessed by KH Douglas, merchant's clerk of 8 Bishopsgate

- 1.179 **c1886 Mansion House, London:** The Lord Mayor of London
Seeking a donation in aid of the unemployed poor of London; and asking for a member of Barings to serve on the Mansion House Committee

- 1.180 **1887 14 May, London:** Secretary of Lloyd's (HM Hozier) to 1st Lord Revelstoke

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Informing him of his unanimous election by the members of Lloyd's to the Committee of Lloyd's and to the Chairmanship of the Committee

- 1.181 **1888 22 Jun, London:** Evan Spicer, chairman of the committee for the South London Polytechnic Institutes, to 1st Lord Revelstoke
Appealing for funds for the foundation of the Institutes. The total amount needed was £300,000, of which half had been guaranteed by the Charity Commissioners, leaving half to be raised by the Committee. There was also a South-West London Scheme, covering Chelsea and neighbourhood
- 1.182 **1889 23 Mar, Cairo:** Sir Evelyn Baring (later 1st Earl of Cromer) to 1st Lord Revelstoke
Barings and a financial operation concerned with the foreign debt of Egypt; maintaining a strictly neutral position in the operation. This was the Egyptian conversion loan. See HC7.55 (1889)
- 1.183 **1890 5 Mar, [London]:** City of London Police
Copy of a statement taken by Detective Sergeants Frederick Downes and Henry Taylor, from Hatfield relating to Thomas Turner, undergoing ten years' penal servitude for forgery at Wormwood Scrubs for the possession of Chilean and Alabama bonds and other bonds and shares, and his negotiation of them
- 1.184 **1890 May-Oct:** Documents concerning Harold Baring
Financial difficulties in Paris; his journey to Cape Town and Dunedin with Mr Fussell; his debts; with his passport for travel in Europe issued at the Foreign Office 28 May 1890

Note: Harold Herman John Baring (1869-1927) was only surviving son of TC Baring See HC1.20.17
- 1.185a **1892 15 Feb, Brighton:** Wilkinson, Son & Welch to Barings
Seeking a reference for Harold Baring of Piccadilly, who wished to rent a house from one of their clients
- 1.185b **1890 24 Nov, Stockholm:** Emilie Luthander to Thomas Baring Lord Ashburton
Appealing for financial help. Letter in Swedish with translation.
- 1.186 **1891 5 Mar, Konigsberg:** Anne Udens to 1st Lord Revelstoke
Appealing for financial help, and enclosing a newspaper cutting about the philanthropic works of Alexander Baring, 1st Lord Ashburton, and of Thomas Baring (d1873)
- 1.187 **1891 13 Apr, London:** HM Hozier, Secretary of Lloyds, to AC Norman
The death of TC Baring; expressing the hope that the resulting vacancy for a non-underwriting member of Lloyds might be filled by another partner of Barings

Note: The place was filled by FH Baring - see Letter Book. TC Baring had died 2 April 1891
See also HC1.180

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- 1.188 Removed to AC series
- 1.189 Removed to AC series
- 1.190 **1891 Dec:** Offprint from Railway News, 19 Dec 1891, of an article entitled 'The Barings' Liabilities' by Captain Francis Pictet, containing proposals for the settlement of these liabilities by the creation of a public company
- 1.191 **1891-1918**
'Baring Brothers & Co Limited. Private Memoranda'
1 vol; indexed
- Memoranda compiled by, or for the use of, partners on various business including:
1893: Argentine External Debt
1898: Russian & Portuguese loans
Liverpool credits
Regulations for safes at 8 Bishopsgate
1912 Dec: Memorandum by FH Baring, called 'Early Baring firms' 1755-1811
1918: Memorandum on Income Tax
- 1.192 **1892 25 Mar, London:** Coutts & Co, bankers, to Barings
Report on the financial standing of Thomas, 5th Lord Thurlow
- 1.193 **1892 20 Apr, London:** Herries Farquhar & Co, solicitors, to Barings
Seeking information on the financial standing of Mrs Baring Bingham of Cowley Manor, Cheltenham, and 39 Lancaster Gate, London
- 1.194 **1893 26 Jul, London:** Rosa C Sutton to Barings
Concerning the critical financial position of her son and appealing for help; reminding Barings that her son's father and grandfather had been Barings' brokers. For R&S Sutton see AC3 and AC16
- 1.195 **1894 14 Aug, London:** The Duchess of San Germano Calabritto to John Baring
Her endeavor to obtain an annuity for her mother-in-law from a Beneficent Fund of which John Baring and TG Baring, 1st Earl of Northbrook, were Trustees; with a copy of the former's reply
- 1.196 **1895 3 Apr, London:** Clarke & Calkin, solicitors, to Barings
Seeking a reference for Harold Baring who had applied for the lease of a house from a client of the writer. For Harold Baring see HC1.184 and 185a
- 1.197 **1895 24 Jul, Stratton:** TG Baring, 1st Earl of Northbrook, to his half-brother FH Baring
Concerning the writer's loan to the House; the questions of security for it, and of its repayment. For 1st Earl of Northbrook see HC1.156, 177, 199
- 1.198 **1895 12 Dec, London:** City Editor of Truth (L Bronsson) to Barings

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Appealing for a donation to the 'Truth Toy Fund'
Annotated by WB Gair: 'Sent £5 authorised by JB'

- 1.199 **1897 24 Nov, London:** Horn & Francis, solicitors, to Barings
The purchase for £700 by TG Baring, 1st Earl of Northbrook and 4th Lord Ashburton of a seven-year policy on the life of Mrs Springett; conditions of the purchase
- 1.200 **1898 21 Mar, London:** S Hope Morley to FH Baring
Appealing for funds for the Chest Hospital, City Rd, of which he had become Chairman. Annotated by FH Baring: '£25'
- 1.201 **1899 28 Apr, London:** Margaret, Duchess of Grafton to FH Baring
Seeking to deposit £90,000 trust funds with Barings, receiving 3%.
Annotated by FH Baring
- 1.202 **1899 8 Feb:** TG Baring, 1st Earl of Northbrook, to Barings
Instructions for outright purchase by him for £11,000 of 100 preference shares in Barings, the money having in Mar 1896 been originally provided by him as an advance to the limited company
- 1.203 **1899 11 Oct, Nice:** Antoine Cordo to Barings
Concerning the recent death of his nephew Eugene Thomas Grandville, vice-admiral in the Italian Navy, and (according to the writer) the natural son of the writer's sister, Françoise Cordo, and a member of the Baring family, here described as 'votre Pere Baring banquier'; seeking to benefit under the will of his late nephew
- 1.204 Documents taken from a tin box labelled 'BB&Co Old Firm Documents 1920'
1. List of documents of Baring Brothers & Co. 5 pieces
 2. Lists of contents of boxes labeled 'Old Documents 1892' and 'BB & Co Old Firm Documents 1920'
 3. **1789-1905:** Various letters and other papers mostly concerning the partners and partnerships, originally contained in an envelope marked 'Letters and Memoranda'
- The documents are:
- (a) **1789 16 Sep, London:** Copy of the agreement between Sir Francis Baring and Samuel Smith whereby, for a consideration of £1,500, Smith will give F Baring his interest in the Borough of Ilchester, Somerset at the next general election; with other conditions
One condition was that the agreement was to remain secret until after the dissolution
 - (b) **1817 20 May, London:** Sir Thomas Baring to the Court of

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Directors [of East India Co?]
Supporting the presentation to the court of the memorial of
Captain Grange 'a near relative to my sister Mrs George Baring'

- (c) **1809 1 Sep, [London]:** Draft of articles of dissolution of partnership between Charles Wall and Thomas Baring who retired, and Alexander Baring and Henry Baring who remained
With conditions and a note in the hand of Alexander Baring concerning his partnership with his brother Henry and their shares in the business, perhaps at a later date

- (d) **No date:** Draft pedigree of the Vowler family, 17th and 18th centuries, in the hand of TC Baring
Note: on War Office writing paper

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- (e) **1823 1 Jul, London:** Printed circular letter to customers notifying the retirement of Henry Baring and John Deacon, and the admission as partner of Francis Baring (later 3rd Lord Ashburton)

- (f) **1825 18 Oct, The Grange:** Alexander Baring to his son Francis Baring in Mexico
Expressing perplexity and distress at his son's operations in real estate in Mexico; delivering a severe reprimand, and ordering him to unscramble the business and to regain the money invested –between one and three thousand pounds; the financial crisis in Britain and USA

The bearer of the letter was Mr Morier going to Mexico on a Foreign Office appointment. Probably John Philip Morier (1776-1853) See also DEP193

- (g) **1826 19 Apr, [London]:** 'Partnership Contract with John Baring', signed by Joshua Bates & John Baring; in hand of Bates
Partnership for 7 years from 1 Jan 1826; conditions and division of profits

- (h) **c1860:** Tabulation of the results of Barings from 1830 to 1860; in hand of Joshua Bates; set out under fifteen heads: capital, commissions, profit & loss, etc

- (i) Copies of letters to Alexander Baring, 1st Lord Ashburton, and to Lady Ashburton concerning the Webster-Ashburton negotiations and treaty:

1842 21 Apr, New York: Albert Gallatin to Lord Ashburton in Washington

1842 9 Aug, Washington: Daniel Webster to Lady Ashburton informing her of the treaties signed that day

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With typescript copies of both letters: the typescript endorsed 'originals in the possession of the Hon Mrs Frederick Adam'

- 1.204.3 (k) cont
- (j) **1865 31 Dec, London:** Statement of debit balances on account of houses in Bishopsgate and Strand St Estate, Liverpool, showing the proportions borne by name partners
 - (k) **1870 1 Oct, Allegre [?]:** Thomas Baring's general letter to his partners announcing his desire to retire at the end of 1870 on the expiry of the present partnership; his wish that the retirement of himself and James Price, and the admission of Thomas Baring, the younger, should be announced in a single circular letter
His horror at thought of becoming a non-involved partner; his intention to retire earlier in the year frustrated by the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian war; his regret at leaving; confidence in the future
 - (l) **1878 5 Nov, [8 Bishopsgate]:** An open letter, in the hand of EC Baring, and initialled by the other partners, addressed to Russell Sturgis as senior partner

Complaining at the unfairness of Sturgis' request that his son, Harry Sturgis, should be admitted as a partner of Barings; pointing out the claims of others namely Francis Baring; Thomas Baring; Robert Hodgson; expressing willingness to make Harry a partner in the Liverpool House. Those initialling the document (under the words 'we fully agree') are JS Hodgson, HB Mildmay, CL Norman and TC Baring
 - (m) **1875 25 May:** JS Hodgson and KD Hodgson, acting as trustees for their mother, Caroline Hodgson
Acknowledging receipt of £16,000 plus interest from KD Hodgson, being repayment of a loan made to him in 1868
 - (n) **1885, 1 Dec:** Cutting from the New York Times 'An old firm retiring. SG & GC Ward to give up business at the end of the year". Recounting the history of Barings' USA agency; the transfer of the agency to Kidder Peabody
 - (o) **1888 26 Jun, New York:** SB Hale & Co, Cypher cable, with copy in clear, to Barings
Informing that they had arranged the contract for the purchase of the Obras de Salubridad, Buenos Aires
 - (p) **1890 c26 Nov:** 'Copy of TC Baring's Memorandum of Nov 1890 re Loans to Partners'

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TC Baring retired at the end of 1888, and much of his private fortune was not therefore at risk during the liquidation of Barings. His memorandum offers £23,000 per annum during the liquidation, on loan to the partners in specified proportions, and with specified conditions, one of these being that the offer ceases in case of his death; he died in 1894

(q) **1894 15 Dec, High Beach, Essex:** Susan Baring, widow of TC Baring, to FH Baring, enclosing at the request of FH Baring copies of two letters:

1890 11 Nov: FHB to TCB in Rome informing him of the crash

1890 28 Nov: The partners of Barings to TCB, accepting his proposal for personal loans

(r) **No date:** 'Baring Brothers & Co. (Old Firm)' being a memorandum setting out the deeds and agreements relating to the partnership, 1882-1905; with a note about control and distribution of assets; typescript

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4. Not used

5. **Early 19 century:** Pattern card of 'Hingchong silk'; with samples of material for 'sat. figd. Crape scarfs [sic]'

6. **No date:** SC Holland; memorandum of capital provided by him in Barings, 1815; and money paid to him in 1816

7. **1821-24:** Notebook of SC Holland containing business and political notes in his hand [**1823** appears to be lacking]

Subjects include: Nolte's affairs; the Bogue estate (see HC5.3.1, HC5.3.4): statements of applications received for the Buenos Aires loan, 1824

Note: This is the notebook referred to by Alfred Mildmay in his letter, 27 Mar 1924, to Dr G Leguizamon - see file Miscellaneous Argentine 1924-27 [now under HACA 200301]. See also De Leguizamon's pamphlet El primer emprestito argentino

8. **1828 Mar-Apr, London:** Pressed copies of letters (4) from Bates & Baring to Perkins & Co, Boston

The trade in Turkish opium and Turkish trade generally; Perkins' orders for opium on Bates & Baring; Turkish-Russian relations

Memorandum of goods for Perkins & Co, Canton, to be sent in ship Augusta See also HC5.1.10a.23

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9. **1832:** Draft of the articles of partnership (in LEG40.1)
10. **1828 26 Jun, London:** J Curwen to Alexander Baring, 1st Lord Ashburton
The writer's claim on the Treasury for the detention of his ship in the Chesapeake in 1827; enclosing a memorial [not preserved]
11. **1834 19 Jul, Liverpool:** SS Gair to Joshua Bates
Captain Cobb: packet ships to USA; he seeks a loan of £5,000
See HC3.35
12. **1834 26 Dec:** List of 'Bills Payable', with names and amounts.
Annotated in hand of Joshua Bates
13. **1835 Liverpool:** SS Gair to Joshua Bates
11 May: The trade and potentiality of the Spanish island of Fernando Po, West Africa; proposal to take over the business of Dillon & de Beacroft
13 Aug: Report on the ship Formidable; possibility of her purchase by Barings See HC3.35
14. **1841:** FT Baring, later 1st Lord Northbrook
'Heads of the Settlement made on the marriage of (FT Baring) with the Lady Arabella Georgina Howard'
15. **1841 5/17 May, Odessa:** John Mollett to Thomas Baring
The wheat trade between Odessa and London
For Mollett see HC2.294
16. **1842 16 Dec, The Grange:** 1st Lord Ashburton to Joshua Bates
Method of payment of the writer's income tax; detailed instructions as to the disposal of named accounts at the end of the year, and the transfer of balances to named partners; the recent Webster/Ashburton treaty
17. **1843:** Thomas Baring - City of London election
 - (a) Number of votes cast, by districts
(Totals: Baring 82, James Pattison 197; reported removed 670)
 - (b) Analysis of votes cast by the livery companies
 - (c) Account to T Baring's election expenses (total £5,485.6.3)
18. **1843 29 Nov, London:** Henry Quinn to Thomas Baring
The City of London election of Oct 1843; enclosing memoranda listed at HC1.204.17
19. **1844 24 Jan, London:** Henry Adcock to Thomas Baring

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The condition of the agricultural industry in Britain; comparison with other industries; need for protection. With TB's calculations

20. **1844 12 Mar, London**
About an Admiralty enquiry into the organization and routes of Royal Steam Mail Steam Packet Co
21. **1844 Jun, London:** Captain J Owen to Thomas Baring
Criticism of the system used by Lloyds Registry in classifying British and foreign ships
22. **1844 17 Jun, Greenwich, London:** Captain Edward Smith RN to Thomas Baring
Poor state of the merchant service and proposed remedies; enclosing copy of a printed 'Address to the British Nation' on the subject, written by Smith in 1839
23. **1844 26 Jan, London:** James Macqueen to Thomas Baring
Defending himself against charges brought against his conduct and character at a meeting of shareholders of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Co
24. **c1847 12 Apr:** 1st Lord Ashburton [to Thomas Baring]
Enclosing 'Notes for a conversation with the Minister' about the position of the British Government loan and advising him to 'persevere in a talk with Wood'; with Thomas Baring's own personal memorandum on the subject

Lord Ashburton's note is endorsed in Thomas Baring's hand: 'Lord Ashburton's notes on the position of the Loan to 12 Apr 1847'
25. **1848 18 Sep, Roxbury, USA:** Russell Sturgis to Joshua Bates
'Since I have become a married man again... I am desirous to ascertain if there is any chance for something (in England)'; his preference for English rather than American life
26. **c1860:** List of debts to be written off, with names of creditors and amounts; in an envelope annotated: 'Rough draft in HB Mildmay's handwriting...'
27. **1853-82:** SG Ward, GC Ward, TW Ward the younger Powers of attorney to act in North and South America and adjacent islands, granted by Barings
 - (a) **1853 1 Mar:** To SGW only, with power of substitution to GCW 3 Jan 1866
 - (b) **1866 3 Feb:** To SGW and GCW; with printed copy

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- (c) **1868 7 May:** To the same; with printed copy
- (d) **1871 13 Sep:** To the same and TWW; with substitution of power, in New England only, to William Benjamin Bacon of Boston, 9 Nov 1874 (substitution cancelled 1882)
- (e) **1882 3 Feb:** To SGW, GCW and TWW
28. **1864 20 Oct - 1866 2 Jan, London & Boston:** Thomas Baring and SG Ward
Correspondence relating to the death of Joshua Bates (died Sep 1864) and consequent necessity to strengthen the house in London; the political opinions of Russell Sturgis and their effect in the USA in wartime; the question of whether to replace Joshua Bates by an American or by an Englishman; the necessity of the American agency being in New York; the inclusion of SC Ward's brother, GC Ward, in the agency; the offer of a partnership in London to TC Baring
38 pieces; T Baring's letters are pressed copies of the originals
29. **1867-73:** Partners annual balances and holding of capital and annual liquidation of specific accounts; including an agreement, signed by the partners, 1 Jan 1871, as to the mode of continuing the partnership and of conducting the business. 13 pieces See also AC 27
30. **1845-68:** Francis Baring, 3rd Lord Ashburton. 'Paris Purchase Our A/C'
The purchase by Francis Baring of land in the commune of Batignolles, near Paris, and its sale 1859-60 See HC1.20.5
31. **c1870-90**
Copy of the entries made in hand of TC Baring, 1763-1784, in the personal account book of Sir Francis Baring
Note: There is a photographic copy of the original account book in the Northbrook Papers - original may be with Northbrook family
32. **1871 1 Jan, London**
Circular letter giving notice of the retirement of James Price from the Liverpool and London houses, and the appointment at Liverpool of Tom Baring; printed
33. **c1888 Dec, 8 Bishopsgate:** TC Baring to 1st Lord Revelstoke
TC Baring's retirement from Barings in order to reduce his commitments and concentrate on his parliamentary duties (he had been elected MP for City of London, 1887); with a transcript in Lord Revelstoke's hand, but dated Dec 85
34. **c1885: 'Reserve Account'**

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Summary of the annual transfers to Reserve Account 1849-1884; and outgoings from the account for the same period, mostly on account of Weardale Iron Co and Grand Trunk Railroad

35. **1889:** Statement of capital in Barings and that belonging to CL Norman at the time of his death, 1889
 36. **1889-92:** Statements of capital in Barings. Gives the capital of each partner/shareholder with changes from year to year
 37. **1890-91:** Press cuttings relating to the reconstruction of Barings
 38. **1890-95:** Barings with the Bank of England; with press cuttings, financial statements relating to the Guarantee Fund, and printed circular letters to guarantors
Relates to the Guarantee Fund; the settlement of liabilities of Baring Brothers & Co; the level of annual payments to partners; the gratitude of Barings for the assistance of the Bank of England
 39. **1891-1912 London, Buenos Aires and elsewhere:**
Barings with Essex E Reade, A Bullrich & Co, Ernesto Tornquist & Co, and others; with copies of correspondence between other parties, and various papers

Relates to the sale of quinta owned by Barings; dispute concerning an alleged 'option' to purchase some quinta in favour of SH Pearson; the negotiations for the sale to different parties and the eventual sale to the Buenos Aires municipality (1905); the reluctance of Gaspard Farrer and 2nd Lord Revelstoke to sell and their preference to lease; the wish of the municipality to purchase various gas companies and the means to finance
 40. **1894, Seabright, New Jersey:** SG Ward with Barings and FH Baring
Relates to the termination of his pension and his request for an explanation
See also HC5.2.30
 41. **1896:** Essex E Reade with SH Pearson and Boletto de Compra Venta
Relates to the purchase of Hales Estate and the transfer of the liabilities of Juan B Medici to SH Pearson
 42. **1901, London:** FH Baring with William Lidderdale
Relates to the disposal of securities deposited with Barings by Lidderdale in connection with an advance made to him by Barings
- Note:** W Lidderdale was Governor of the Bank of England, 1889-92 See also HC1.205B

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43. **No date [20th century]**
Extract from the journals of Louis Mallet 1819-1924 relating to the French loan of 1818 and the character of 1st Lord Ashburton and from Ryall's Portraits of eminent conservatives, relating to same; typescript
- 1.205a **1900 6 Oct, Santa Barbara, California:** Mrs Grund to Barings
Asking for financial help; her difficulties during the time of her daughter's training as a nurse
- 1.205b **1900 Jun-Dec, London:** William Lidderdale, formerly Governor of the Bank of England, to Barings
The writer's personal finance; settlement of his accounts 1 & 2; his ill-health, to undergo surgery See also HC3.52.10 and HC1.204.42
- 1.206 **1901 11 May, London:** Miss Florence Stewart Hawkins to Barings
Seeking a bridging loan of £17,000 as part of a property deal; she is personally known to 2nd Lord Revelstoke
- 1.207 **1902 8 Oct, London:** Miss M Collins to Barings
Asking if her fiancée, John Allen Gore, had a banking account with Barings
- 1.208 **1903 Oct-Dec, London:** Godden Son & Holme, solicitors, to WB Gair
About shares in Barings held by WS Deacon, deceased
- 1.209 **1903 21 May, London:** Bannister, Williams & Ram, solicitors, to Barings
Seeking a reference from Barings for George Grove Blackwell, junior
- 1.210 **1903 20 Aug, Paris:** Mary C Thompson (Mrs Frederick F Thompson) to 2nd Lord Revelstoke
Seeking letters of introduction to Barings' correspondents along the route her forthcoming journey to China

She was to travel with General and Mrs Winslow, formerly of New York, and the route planned was St. Petersburg -Moscow - Port Arthur, via Trans-Siberian Railway -Peking

With Lord Revelstoke's draft letter to various correspondents in which Mrs Thompson is described as 'a very valued client'
- 1.211 Not used
- 1.212 Memoranda books, containing memoranda of private letters sent by Barings, with cross references (either date or folio number) to location in private out-letter books See Class LB

There are at least three series of books: 'P' [private letters?]; 'W' [Ward letters?], and 'B' [Buenos Aires letters?]

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c1880s: Book containing details of the will of Alexander, 1st Lord Ashburton

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1809-24: Out letter book

Contains copies of private correspondence, mostly of Alexander Baring, later 1st Lord Ashburton, relating to financial business; indexed