

DIGITISATION AT THE BARING ARCHIVE

Charlotte Willett
 Baring Archive, ING
 11th June 2018
 City Archivists Group Meeting



Map of the Canadian Grand Trunk Railway [HC 5.14.4]

THE BARING ARCHIVE

- Material created by Barings Bank from 1762 until 1995
- Global financial history, events and politics
- Now owned by ING; loaned to a charitable trust, The Baring Archive Limited



Lithograph after the portrait of Sir Francis Baring, John Baring and Charles Wall by Sir Thomas Lawrence (1806-1807) [DEP 193.72.1]
© The Baring Archive Ltd

THE BARING ARCHIVE LIMITED AND DIGITISATION

Various items from the Baring Archive
© Richard Valencia Photography



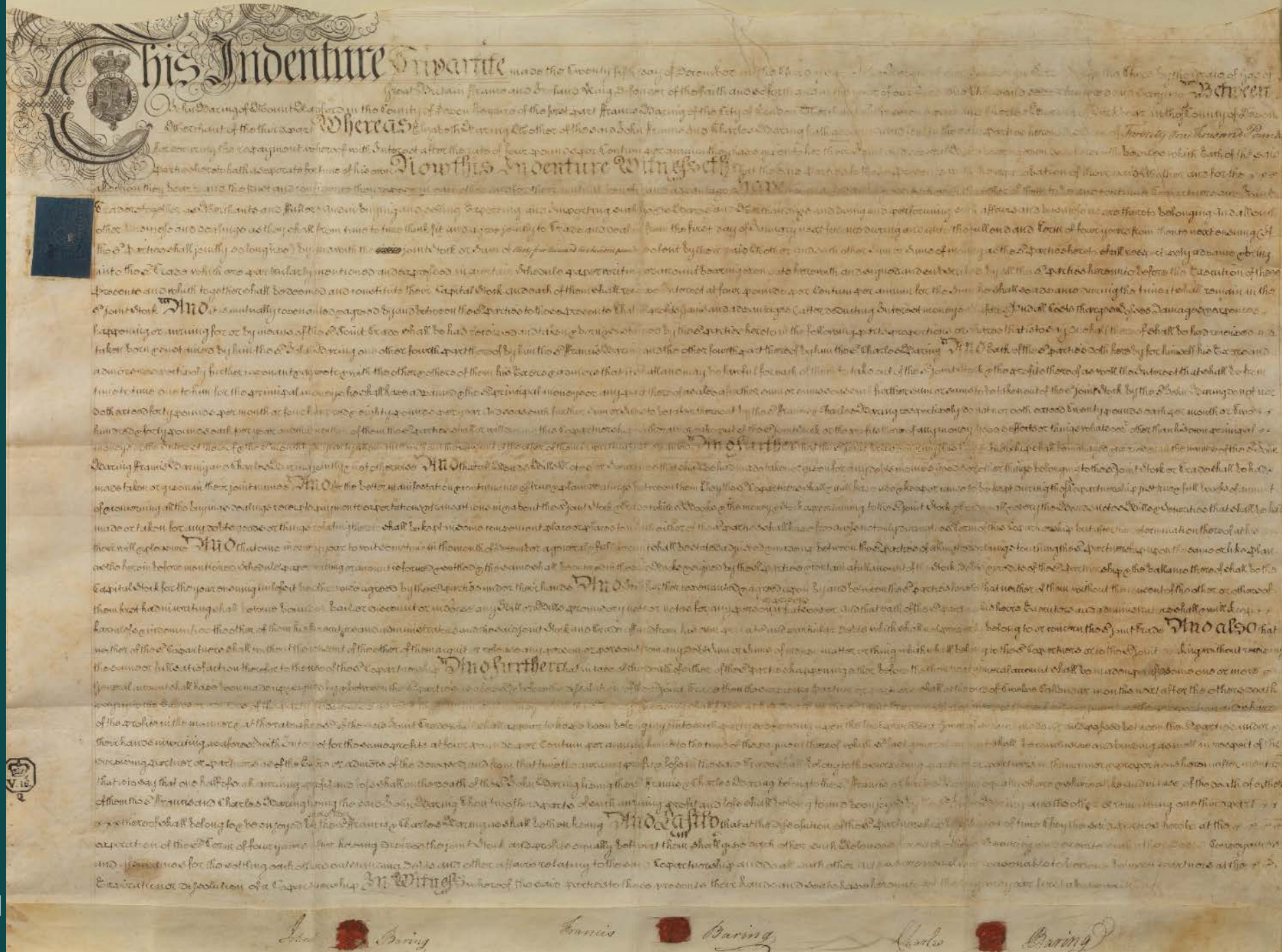
Photographing an item for the pilot digitisation project.
©The Baring Archive Ltd

**HOW DO
WE DECIDE
WHAT TO
DIGITISE?**



LEGALITY

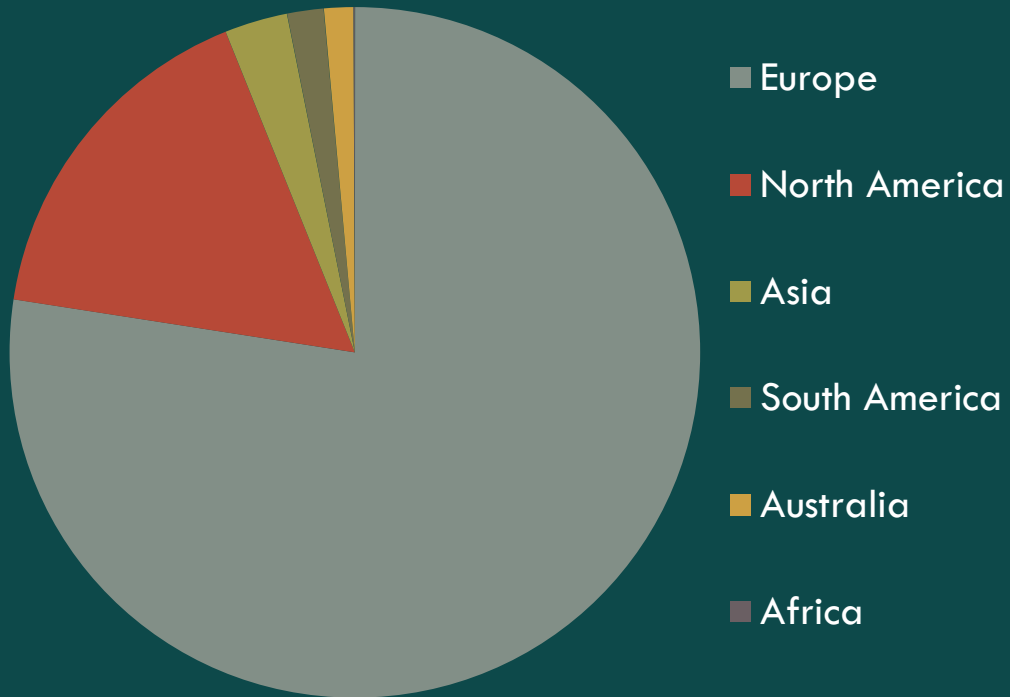
- Copyright
 - Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 (www.legislation.gov.uk)
 - TNA Copyright and Related rights
 - Intellectual Property Government Guidance on Copyright
- Data Protection – GDPR as of May 2018
- Look back at acquisition documentation



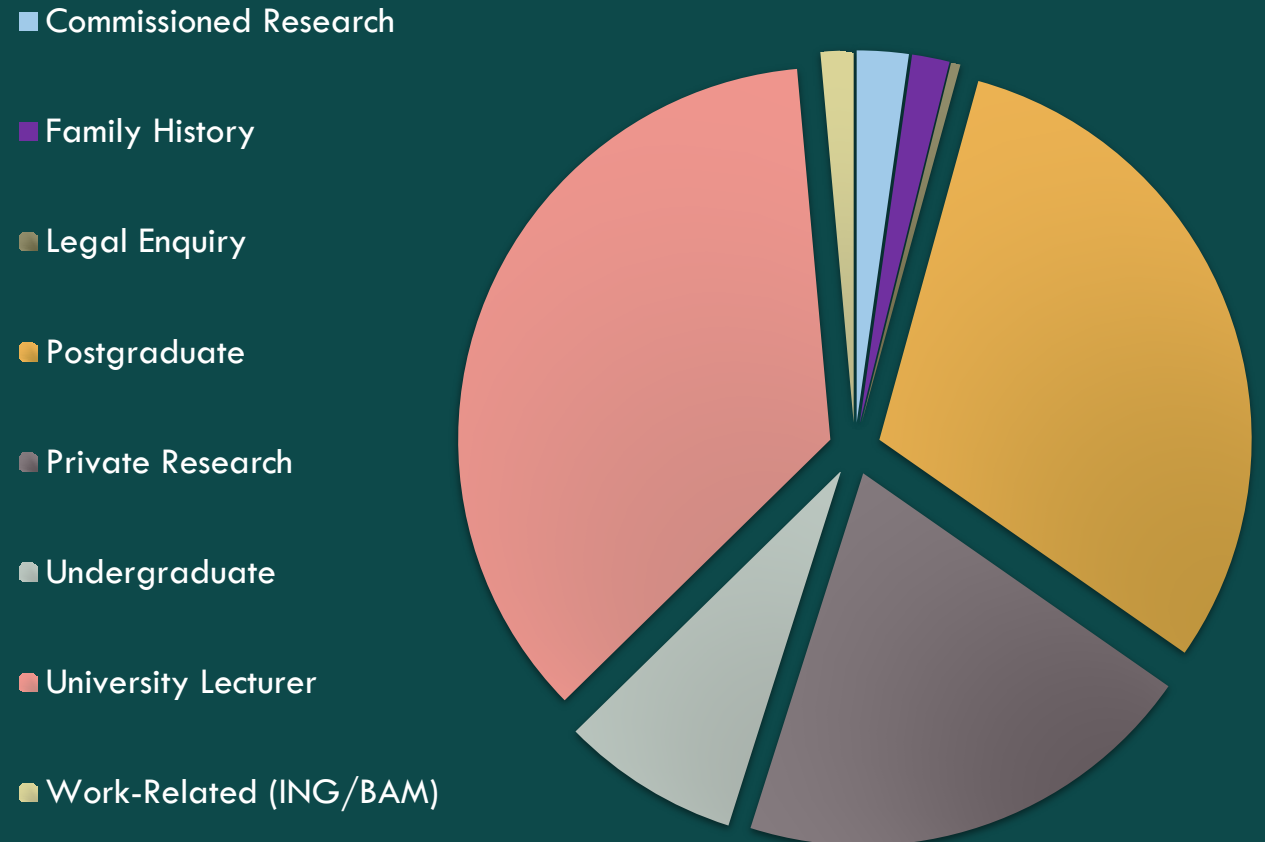
CONTENT

User Driven Enquiries

Numbers of Baring Archive readers affiliated with various continents 1990-2014

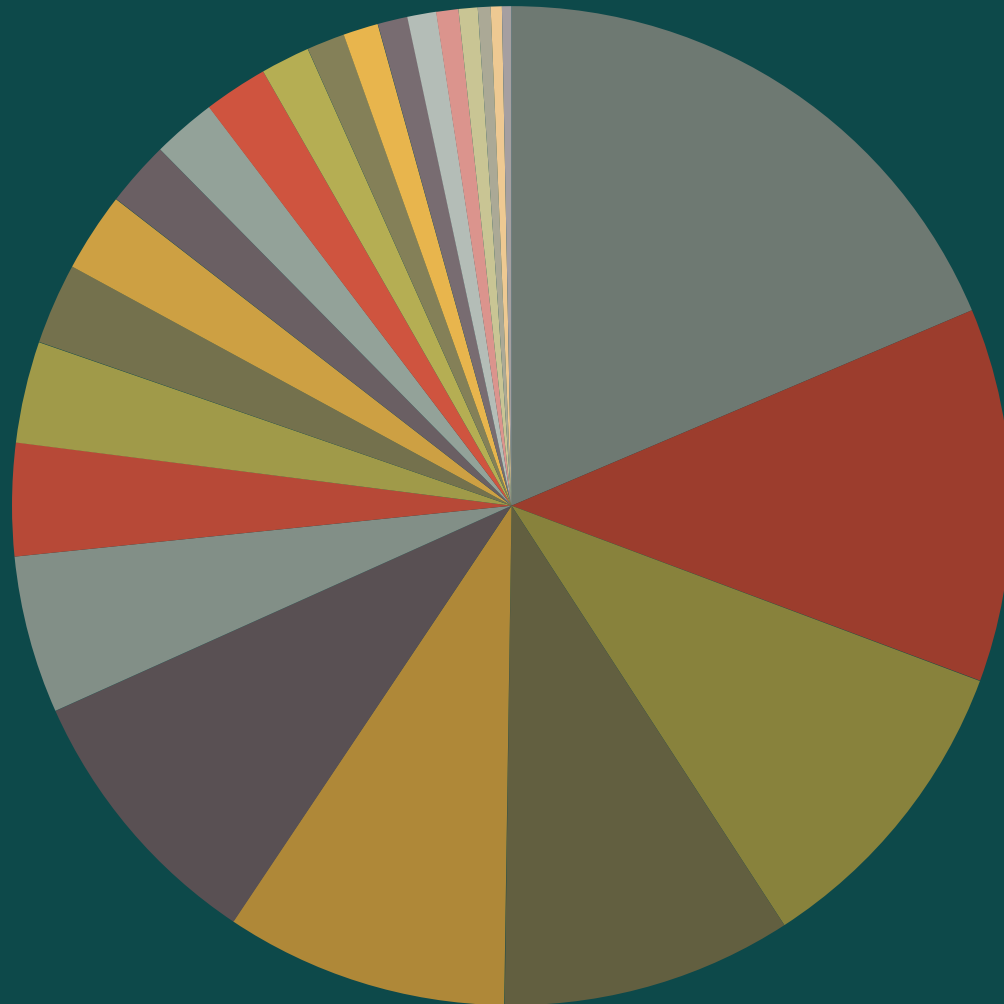


Identities of Researchers in the Baring Archive 2004-2017



CONTENT

A Pie Chart to show the number of enquiries related to research topics from 1990 to 2017



- Person/People/Family
- Geographies
- Art/Illustrations/Images
- Barings
- Company
- Finance and Banking
- Transport
- Business
- Events and war
- Archive
- Buildings/Architecture/Estates
- Government, politics and State Affairs
- Maps, Bonds and Certificates
- Genealogy
- Trade and Commerce
- Correspondence
- Merchant Bankers
- Film and Print
- Industry
- Other
- Objects
- Women
- International Relations, Colonialism and Immigration
- Slavery

CONTENT — ONLINE SURVEY

“Having access to documents in digital form would be great, so long as this does not mean directing resources away from the archive as it currently operates. If given a choice, I would much rather consult documents in their original paper format. But digitising materials would make them more accessible, including to academic researchers based in parts of the world like Latin America where travel grants are sometimes hard to secure.”

“Excellent idea to digitise parts of the collection!”

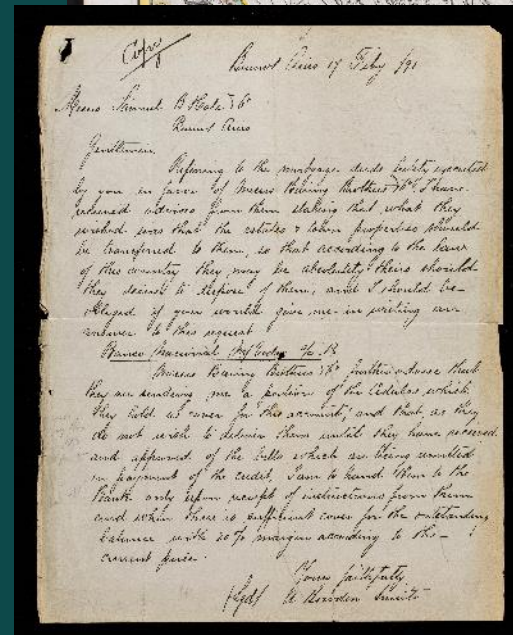
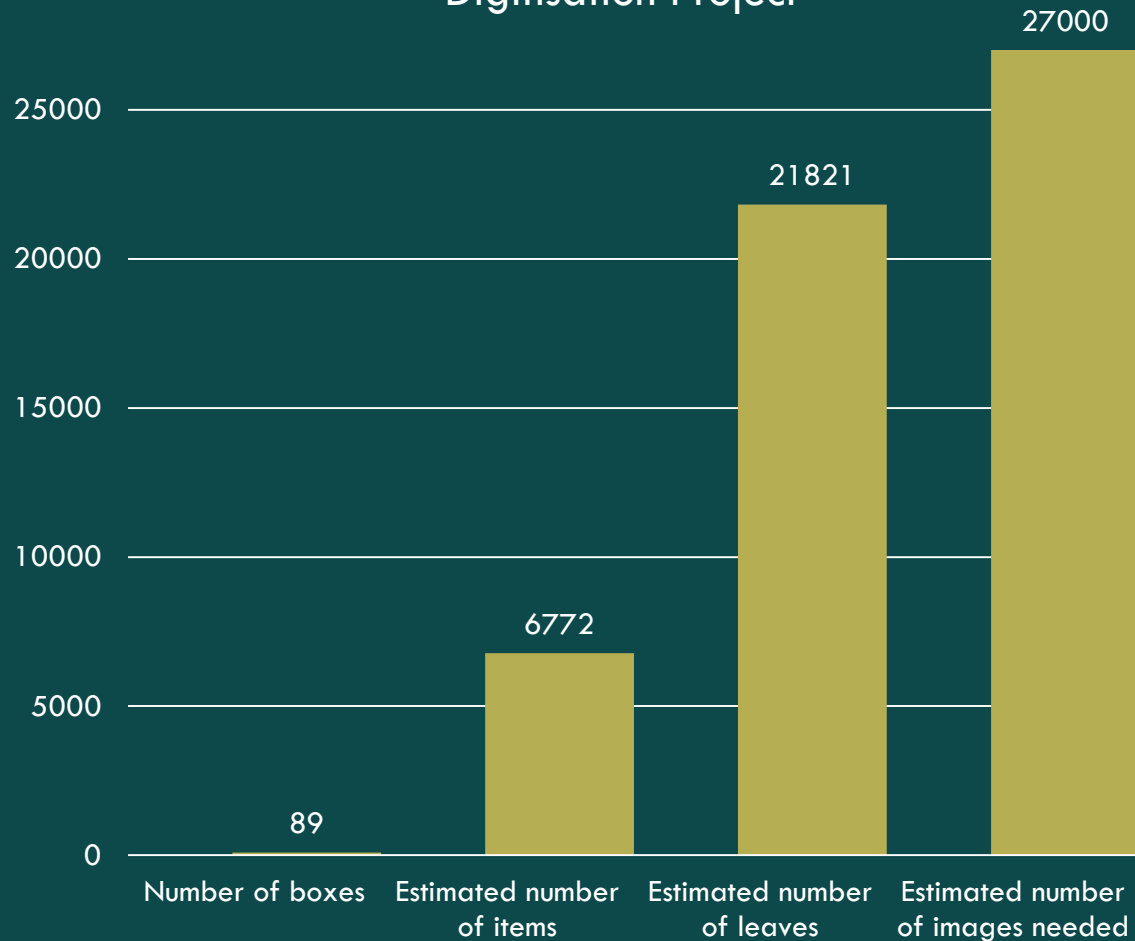
“I am grateful to The Baring Archive Ltd and ING for making Barings records available to me as a researcher; I welcome this effort to expand the access to researchers online.”

“I am thrilled that digitisation may now be a possibility and I wish you all the best! Looking forward to seeing how it all turns out.”

“Barings has a wonderful archive. Digitising some of the collection would make it better known and much more accessible.”

VOLUME AND FORMAT

Estimated numbers in the Baring Archive's Pilot Digitisation Project



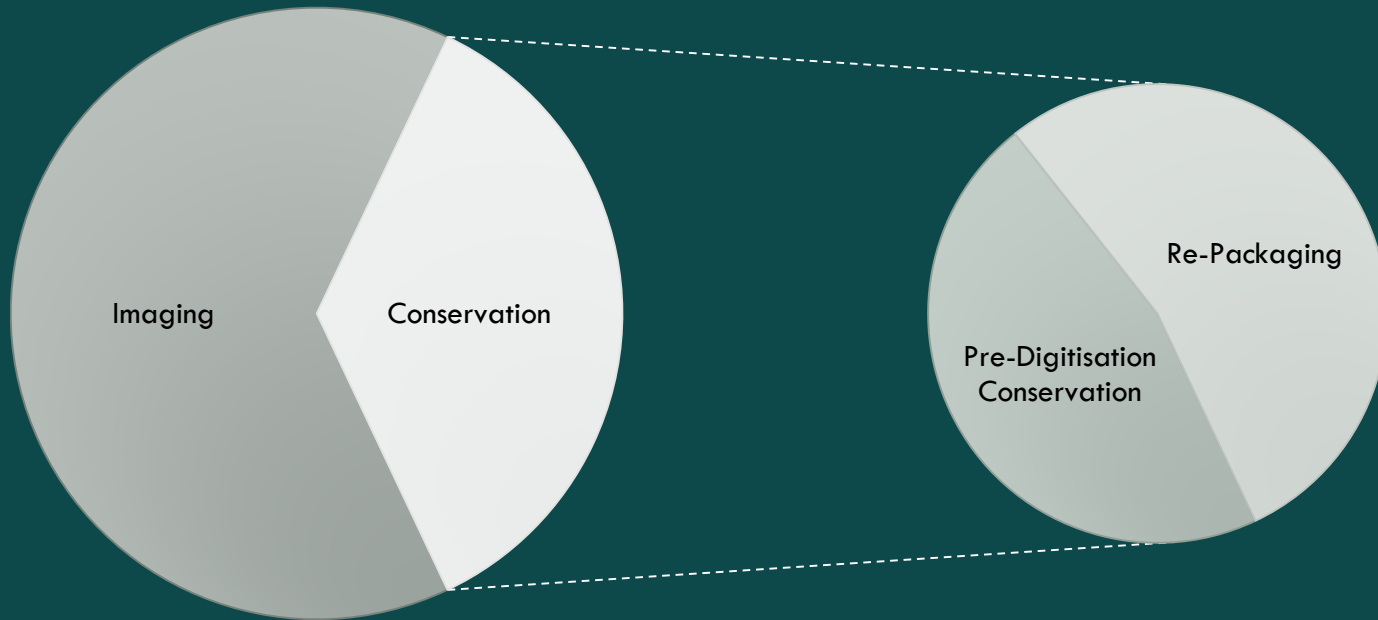
A map of the Louisiana territory. Barings arranged for the Americans to purchase this land from Napoleon in 1803.

© Richard Valencia Photography

Correspondence from the pilot digitisation project.
© The Baring Archive Ltd

ITEM CONDITION

Estimated Costing Ratios for the Baring Archive
Digitisation Pilot Project



Anna O'Reagan, 2nd year conservation student at Northumbria
University, hard at work on items for the pilot project.
© National Conservation Service



VISUAL APPEAL

Watercolour painting by Barings' agent George
White of Vera Cruz Port in the 1860s [DR 11.085]
© Richard Valencia Photography



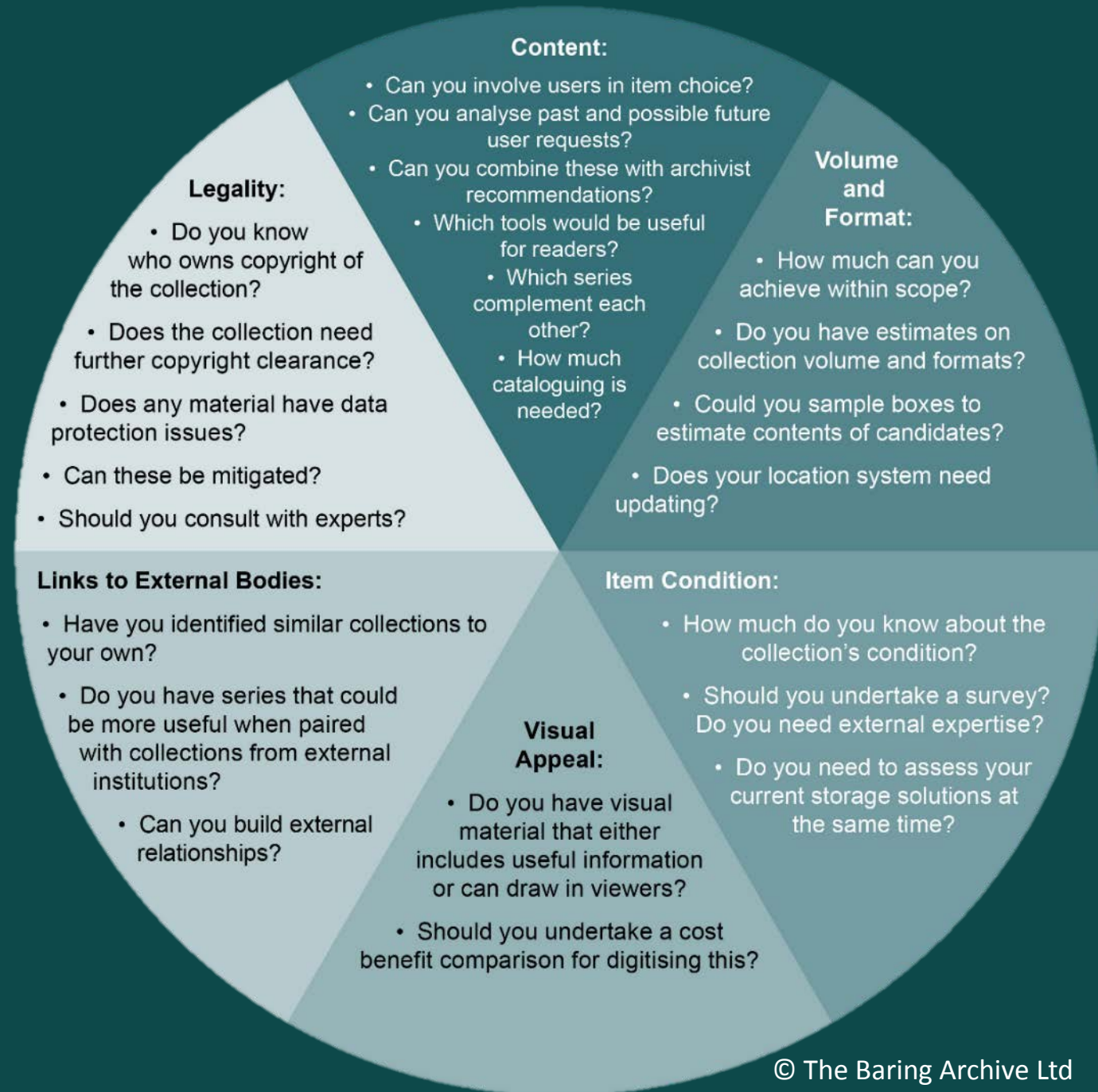
LINKS TO EXTERNAL BODIES

- Institutions with parts of the same collection
- Those with related material
- Those doing similar projects
- Community Groups

Mrs Henry Baring and Children
By Sir Thomas Lawrence (1817)
Loaned to the Rijksmuseum [SK-C-1649]
© Estate of the Artist



THE BARING ARCHIVE LIMITED DIGITISATION SELECTION MODEL



Various items from the pilot digitisation project.
© The Baring Archive Ltd

PILOT PROJECT

Includes:

- House Correspondence 4.1: Argentina
- Maps and bonds relating to Argentina
- Argentinian Loan Tombola

Messrs. SAMUEL B. HALE & Co.

It is proposed to form a limited company to take over the business assets and liabilities of this firm, in being a company which, it is believed, will be satisfactory to the parties concerned, and will afford full information to all concerned as to the position of affairs and the steps taken to meet the claims and rights of all parties.

In preparing the scheme, it is contemplated that as little alteration as possible should be made in the position of the different parties concerned.

With the exception of the Contract for the Buenos Ayres Water and Drainage Works, and certain matters in which they are jointly interested with Messrs. R. E. & Co., the position of Messrs. Samuel B. Hale & Co. may be briefly stated as follows:—

The creditors in England are so few and for so small an amount, that for the purpose of the present scheme they may be neglected, it being contemplated that arrangements will be made by the New Company for settling on paying them.

The creditors in England (including a few comparatively small ones) that as the "work done" in some shape or other, are only shown in a list.

The assets in England consist of Bonds of the Province of Buenos Aires, Bonds of the City of Rosario, and Shares of the National Bank of the Republic of Uruguay, which are held in different proportions by some out of the above Messrs. firms and institutions, and a quantity of other securities of a commercial and financial description which are in the hands of Messrs. R. E. & Co. as security for advances made by them to the firm.

The above firms and creditors in England, except Messrs. R. E. & Co., have claims as follows:—

	Gross	Set-off		
		From R. E. Co.	From R. E. Co.	From R. E. Co.
A. A. B.	£10,000	2,000		
Messrs. H. & Co.	50,000	10,000		
J. F. Mackay	10,000	2,000		
L. O. Bank	20,000	10,000		
Messrs. M. R. & Co.	20,000	10,000		
L. O. Bank	20,000	10,000		
Messrs. W. H. C. & Co.	10,000	2,000		
Messrs. H.	10,000	10,000		
Messrs. R. E. & Co.	10,000			

The figures above entered are the capital accounts and do not include the accounts due for interest and sundry charges.

In addition to the above, Messrs. Samuel B. Hale & Co. have accounts with Messrs. C. & Co., Messrs. M. R. & Co., Messrs. H., and Messrs. R. E. & Co., and with others who are not creditors, for the undersubscribing of Bonds of the Buenos Ayres Water Supply and Drainage Company, Limited, as to which it is contemplated that arrangements will be made.

MESEGRAS

BOGOTÁ

LA INSURRECCION EN COLOMBIA

NOTICIAS DE EUROPA

CHILE

ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES

ROSARIO

URUGUAY

BRASIL

ESTADOS UNIDOS

FRANCIA

INGLATERRA

ALEMANIA

RUSSIA

PORTUGAL

ITALIA

ESPAÑA

ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES

ROSARIO

URUGUAY

BRASIL

ESTADOS UNIDOS

FRANCIA

INGLATERRA

ALEMANIA

RUSSIA

PORTUGAL

ITALIA

ESPAÑA



THE DIRECT UNITED STATES CABLE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: 10, South Street, New York, U.S.A.

BRANCH OFFICES: London, Liverpool, Manchester, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Cardiff, Bristol, Southampton, London, S.W.

TELEPHONE 11784.

The following CABLEGRAM RECEIVED "Via Direct Cable":

BUENOS AIRES 6

BARTISWALE LONDON:

ROBERT EDWARDS DEFRAIN JARCO

In the interest of all concerned confer with London Messrs Co

Handwritten letter on a blue-lined envelope. The letter is written in cursive and appears to be a business communication. It is dated and includes a signature.

CANDIDATES FOR THE TWO YEAR PROJECT

Themes	Main Archival Series	Supplementary Material
The Baring family and formation of Baring Bros & Co	House Correspondence Old Series; Northbrook Papers; 1766 Ledger Book; Articles of Partnership	Photos of the family; Cartoons
Spanish & Latin America	House Correspondence for South America	N/A
North America and The Netherlands	House Correspondence for North America and the Netherlands	Deposits & Gifts- Maine and Labouchere papers
Series spanning company history	The Letterbooks; Annual Account Books	Maps, Bonds and Certificates. Family photos





Charlotte Willett

Digitisation Archivist

The Baring Archive, ING

E charlotte.willett@ing.com

 [@cwillett1](https://twitter.com/cwillett1)

Messrs Baring Brothers & Co
By Ambrose McEvoy (1927) [PT045]
© The Baring Archive Ltd