

SPOHR LETTERS

One of the major tasks which Spohr scholars of the future will have to tackle is the question of an edition of his correspondence. Spohr's letters run into thousands, quite a number of which are in Kassel, but many are scattered in public and private collections worldwide.

Because Spohr exchanged letters with many of the great composers from Beethoven to Wagner, a number of these are in collections based on these composers or have been published in volumes dedicated to their letters.

Nevertheless, letters to and from Spohr do turn up for auction or in the hands of dealers. Our committee member Philip Scowcroft, of 8 Rowan Mount, Doncaster, DN2 5PJ, is collecting information on any unpublished Spohr letters. If any member is able to help with a reference to sales catalogues, reports of sales or, best of all, details of Spohr letters in his own collection, please get in touch with Philip.