

The main theme of the thesis is the analysis of the genealogical and heraldical collection of Gottfried Daniel Wunschwitz (1678-1741). It is the important set of information concerning more than 1400 noble houses. These houses (more as well as less important, contemporaneous as well as extinct, knights as well as prince s) are presented by many types of materials - from common used genealogical diagrams, through voluminous collection of correspondence and excerpts from newspaper, to paper hatchements and sketches of tomb stones. Some of the most characteristic materials are presented in the thesis through the catalogues and editions. The thesis contains also several chapters dealing with history of the Wunschwitz house, of the history of the genealogical work in Bohemia (till 18th century) and the comparative synopsis concerning another genealogical collections originated in Bohemia from 18th till 20th century.