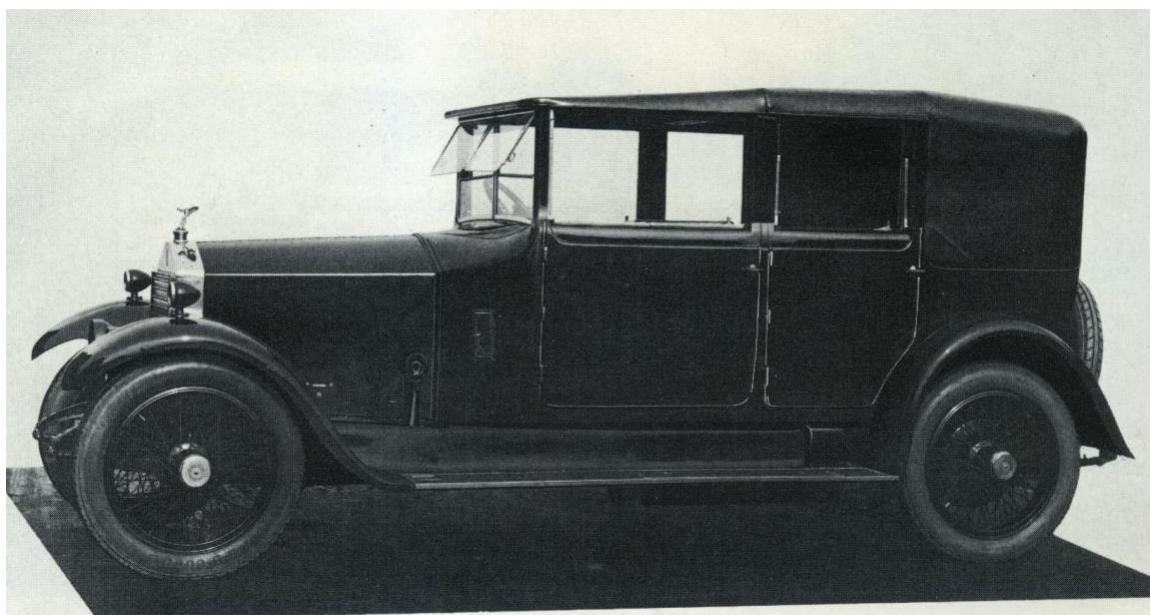


ROLLS-ROYCE STOLEN IN SOUTH YARRA



The car was 1923 20 h.p 78A1 with its original Windovers cabriolet body. The chassis history is noted in 'Rolls-Royce and Bentley in the Sunburnt Country' on page 134. The Windovers cabriolet body on 78A1 may have been similar to this photograph from John Fasal's 'The Rolls-Royce Twenty' on page 359, which shows Windovers cabriolet coachwork on 1923 GF62.

"ROLLS-ROYCE CAR STOLEN." was the headline in 'The Argus' (Melbourne) on 20 January 1927, "Incident at South Yarra. Mr. Samuel McKay, of the Sunshine Harvester Works, reported to the criminal investigation branch last night that his Rolls Royce motor car, valued at £2,000, had been stolen shortly before 10 o'clock from the grounds of his house in Toorak road west near Walsh street, South Yarra. The car, which bears the registered number 63833 and has a cabriolet body with black mudguards, was found to be missing from the grounds about a quarter to 10 o'clock. Mr. McKay's chauffeur who discovered the theft, ran to the front gates and saw the car being driven along Toorak road towards St Kilda road. Both police

motor patrols were informed and one of them left shortly after 10 o'clock to attempt to find the car.”

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