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The records of Barker and Co. (Coachbuilders) Ltd., London. Includes Sales ledgers giving description of work done, customer's names and money paid [22 volumes], plus one ledger balance, one journal balance and one photograph album.

### **1 Financial records**

- /1 1799-1800 Ledgers. Arranged by date and customer's name, giving customer's name, description of work done, money owed and date, and money paid and date. With index by customer's name
- |     |     |                                |
|-----|-----|--------------------------------|
| /1  | A-Z | 1799-1800                      |
| /2  | A-Z | 1803-1805                      |
| /3  | A-K | 1806-1808                      |
| /4  | L-Z | 1806-1808                      |
| /5  | A-Z | 1810-1812                      |
| /6  | A-Z | 1813-1814                      |
| /7  | A-Z | 1818-1820                      |
| /8  | A-I | 1843-1845                      |
| /9  | A-I | 1847-1852                      |
| /10 | A-I | 1852-1856                      |
| /11 | K-Z | 1852-1856                      |
| /12 | A-I | 1857-1861                      |
| /13 | K-Z | 1857-1861                      |
| /14 | A-I | 1862-1869                      |
| /15 | K-Z | 1862-1869                      |
| /16 | A-I | 1869                           |
| /17 | A-I | 1870-1876                      |
| /18 | A-I | 1877-1888                      |
| /19 | K-Z | 1877-1888                      |
| /20 | A-I | 1889-1900                      |
| /21 | K-Z | 1889-1900                      |
| /22 | A-I | 1901-1907 (inc motor vehicles) |
- /2 1797-1835 Ledger balance. Giving stock, profit & loss (for 1797 only), Charles Barker executors and William Courtney accounts, and sundry customers' accounts
- /3 1814-1835 Journal balance. Giving goods bought, carriages sold, cash received

### **2 Original artwork**

- /1 Barker foursome coupé on 4¼ litre Bentley chassis. Specially designed for Capt A Mackintosh [see 5/1 below]
- /2 B.11756 4¼ litre 32 HP Daimler, limousine
- /3 GC 11211 Barker enclosed limousine on 20-25 HP Rolls-Royce chassis
- /4 20/25 HP Rolls-Royce 'E' steering. Barker Sedanca de Ville. Specially designed for H S Paul Esq

**3 Original photos**

- /1 233 Landalette. Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost chassis. [coloured reproduction]
- /2 B.3571 Sports enclosed limousine. Rolls-Royce Phantom III chassis
- /3 B.3617 Four door saloon. 4¼ litre Bentley chassis
- /4 B.3629 Coupé de Ville. 25-30 HP Rolls-Royce chassis
- /5 B.3636 Four door saloon. 4¼ litre Bentley chassis
- /6 B.3640 Sedanca de Ville. 25-30 HP Rolls-Royce chassis
- /7 B.3650 Sedanca de Ville. Rolls-Royce Phantom III chassis
- /8 B.3654 Saloon. 25-30 HP Rolls-Royce chassis
- /9 B.3666 Enclosed limousine. Rolls-Royce Phantom III chassis
- /10 B.3668 Two door saloon. 4¼ litre Bentley chassis
- /11 B.3688 Enclosed limousine de Ville. 25-30 HP Rolls-Royce chassis
- /12 B.3703 Enclosed limousine. Rolls-Royce

Phantom III chassis

/13 1930s?

Photo album

- /1 B.3699 Rolls-Royce Phantom  
III chassis. Enclosed  
limousine
- /2 B.3698 --- as above ---  
Enclosed limousine
- /3 B.3697 --- as above ---  
Saloon
- /4 B.3692 --- as above ---  
Sedanca de Ville
- /5 B.3686 --- as above ---  
Saloon
- /6 B.3676 --- as above ---  
Enclosed landaulette
- /7 B.3671 --- as above ---  
All-weather
- /8 B.3670 --- as above ---  
All-weather
- /9 B.3665 --- as above ---  
Touring limousine
- /10 B.3649 --- as above ---  
Sedanca de Ville
- /11 B.3633 --- as above ---  
Enclosed limousine
- /12 B.3531 Rolls-Royce 40/50  
HP chassis. Pullman  
limousine
- /13 B.3445 40/50 HP Rolls-  
Royce Phantom II chassis.  
Pullman limousine
- /14 B.3440 --- as above ---  
Pullman de Ville
- /15 B.3439 --- as above ---  
Pullman de Ville
- /16 B.3437 --- as above ---  
Pullman limousine
- /17 B.3413 --- as above ---  
Sedanca de Ville
- /18 B.3412 --- as above ---  
Sedanca de Ville
- /19 B.3385 --- as above ---  
Sedanca de Ville
- /20 B.3281 40/50 HP Rolls-  
Royce continental chassis.  
All-weather
- /21 B.3280 --- as above ---  
All-weather
- /22 --- untitled ---

/23 40/50 HP Rolls-Royce  
Phantom II chassis. Open  
tourer

**4 Copy photos of Barker coachwork on  
Rolls-Royce chassis**

/1 1650F/G13564 Tourer 20 HP  
/2 1672G 20 HP Two-seater with dickey-  
seat. Reg. no. GUK 33  
/3 1684G/G1710 20 HP Landalette  
/4 1696G/G13319 20 HP Tourer  
/5 1700G/G13797 20 HP Open drive limousine  
/6 1953H/H15787 20 HP Tourer  
/7 2115H/H17210 20 HP Saloon with division  
/8 2199J/J17997 20 HP Sedanca

**5 Copy design drawings**

/1 1936 Mar 21 B.11270 4¼ litre Bentley. Foursome  
coupé - fixed head with detachable de  
Ville arms. Specially designed for Capt  
A Mackintosh [see 2/1 above]  
/2 1939 Jan B.11711 12 cyl. Lagonda 10'4" W.B. Two  
door saloon  
/3 B.11721 12cyl. Lagonda 11'0" W.B.  
Touring limousine  
/4 B.11723 12cyl. Lagonda 11'6" W.B.  
Sedanca de Ville  
/5 1939 May 5 B.11739 Rolls-Royce 'Wraith' chassis.  
Sedanca de Ville  
/6 FLC 10331 40/50 HP Rolls-Royce long  
chassis 'C' steering. Enclosed  
limousine, metal roof & quarters with  
leather centre panel  
/7 FLE 7526 40/50 HP Rolls-Royce long  
chassis 'E' steering. Sports 2/7 seater  
with concealed hood

- /8 GE 9175 20/25 HP Rolls-Royce 'E' steering. All-weather Tourer with concealed hood
- /9 1935 Jan 10 GE 10988 20/25 HP Rolls-Royce long bonnet. Foursome coupé with de Ville extension, de Ville arms detachable

**6 Publicity material**

- /1 1931 1933-34 1934-35 1935-36 1936-37 1937-38 Coachbuilding. Edited by Barker & Co. (Coachbuilders) Ltd. [6 booklets]
- /2 [1923?] [Promotional booklet (44p) of motor body designs, comprising 20 photogravure plates (listed by page no. below), and numerous testimonials]
2. State coach built for His Majesty King George V ... Feb 1912
  5. (Patent) cabriolet de ville ... for HRH the Prince of Wales
  7. Pullman limousine ... for HM the King of Romania
  9. Limousine landaulette ... for HM the King of Serbia
  11. Pullman landaulette ... for the late Viscount Northcliffe
  13. Saloon limousine ... for Viscount Wimborne
  15. Dome-roof limousine ... to the Earl of Dudley
  17. Semi-domed limousine ... for the Earl of Derby
  19. Brougham limousine ... for Lady Mortimer Davis
  21. Brougham landaulette ... for the late R. Loring Esq.
  23. Three-quarter cabriolet ... for Lord Herbert Scott
  25. Salamanca cabriolet ... for Duc de Durcal

27. Double-decked torpedo ... for Viscount Curzon MP
29. Selected torpedo ... for HRH Prince Carol of Romania
31. Coupé limousine ... for A. S. Cochrane Esq.
33. Coupé cabriolet ... to Lord Dalmeny
35. Torpedo on a 20hp six-cylinder Rolls-Royce chassis
37. Landaulette on a 20hp six-cylinder Rolls-Royce chassis
39. Enclosed cabriolet on a 20hp six-cylinder Rolls-Royce chassis
41. Limousine on a 20hp six-cylinder Rolls-Royce chassis

/3 [c.1937] Barker coachwork. [Folder of 8 photos superimposed on scenic backdrops]

- a. Enclosed limo on 25/30 Rolls-Royce chassis
- b. Fixed-head coupé on 25/30 Rolls-Royce chassis
- c. Touring limo on Phantom III Rolls-Royce chassis
- d. Sedanca de ville on 25/30 Rolls-Royce chassis
- e. Sports touring limo on Phantom III Rolls-Royce chassis
- f. Sedanca de ville on Phantom III Rolls-Royce chassis
- g. Sports saloon on Phantom III Rolls-Royce chassis
- h. Sedanca de ville on Phantom III Rolls-Royce chassis

/4 [c.1912?] [Promotional book of 24 colour motor body designs, listed by page no. below]

1. Saloon limousine
2. Saloon limousine with sloping scuttle
3. Sedan double limousine
4. Dee-fronted limousine
5. Morgan limousine

6. Player limousine
7. Flush sided limousine-  
landaulette
8. Abercromby limousine  
landaulette
9. "Miller" limousine-  
landaulette
10. Playfair limousine-  
landaulette
11. Exhibition double cabriolet  
(closed)
12. Exhibition double cabriolet  
(open)
13. Cabriolet with sloping  
scuttle
- 14 "Humphries" cabriolet  
(open)
- 14a. "Humphries" cabriolet  
(closed)
15. Salamanca cabriolet (open)
- 15a. Salamanca cabriolet  
(closed)
16. Byng torpedo
17. Audley torpedo
18. "Humphries" torpedo
19. "Humphries" torpedo (with  
hood up)
20. Guinle torpedo
21. Two-seater cabriolet  
(closed)
22. Two-seater cabriolet (open)

/5 [1910]

Automobile catalogue [comprising 13  
side-view photos of motor bodies]

- a. Three-quarter landaulette
- b. Coupé limousine
- c. Limousine landaulette
- d. Double landaulette
- e. 5 or 6 place limousine
- f. Limousine, with detachable  
side windows
- g. "Barker" landaulette, with  
canopy and windscreen
- h. "Chandos" phaeton
- i. "Barker" landaulette
- j. Side-entrance "Roi des  
Belges"
- k. Double Victoria
- l. Side-entrance tonneau



- m. Side-entrance tulip tonneau
- /6 [1910] [Booklet (incomplete) of coaches and chariots, listed by page no. below]
3. State coach
5. Barouche
9. Cee-spring [single-seated] brougham
15. Crane sociable [deep-bodied French Victoria]
19. Square landau [sociable]
23. Mail [skeleton] phaeton
25. Buggy
- /7 [193-] Barker-Penney patent wheel discs [i.e. hub-caps. Includes photos of Barker pullman limousine de ville on 40/50 hp Rolls-Royce chassis, awarded grand prix, Monte Carlo Concours d'Elegance, 1928; Captain Malcolm Campbell's "Blue Bird" car with which he broke the world's speed record. Advertising brochure (11p)]
- /8 [1924?] Barker headlamp dippers. The solution of the dazzling headlight problem. Includes photo of patent cabriolet de ville (closed). Advertising brochure (12p) (2 copies)
- /9 [1931] Leading the way. The story of Barker accessories [Advertising brochure (8p)]
- /10 Barker occasional seats. [Includes photos of four types of additional seating. Advertising brochure (4p)]
- /11 The Barker de Ville extension, patented. [Advertising brochure (6p)]
- /12 Barker spring buffers for all makes of cars. [Advertising brochure (8p)]
- /13 [1926?] The Barker patent thermo-electric temperature indicator. [Advertising brochure (3p)]

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### Miscellaneous

- /1 1931 Jul [Copy memo to] Mr I D Lloyd, re new

- 14 'Barker' bodies, [giving numbers in stock, laid down, sold and delivered, and scrapped for years 1925-30, and sold and delivered for years 1931-37. 1p ts/ms]
- /2 1932 Jul [Copy memo to] Mr David Lloyd, re  
14 substantiating of "Established 1710"  
[of Barker & Co. 2p ts]
- /3 1932 Oct [Letter] 292 High Holborn, London [to]  
31 R J Priest Esq., Messrs. Barker & Co.  
(Coachbuilders) Ltd., 66-69 South  
Audley St., London / Montagu Evans,  
chartered surveyor, valuer & estate  
agent, [re] History of Messrs. Barker &  
Co. [2p ts]
- /4 1936 Dockers' superfine colours / Docker  
Brothers, Birmingham & London. [Sample  
book of available colours, supplied in  
cellusol, syntholux, finely ground in  
goldsize or turpentine, thermolux,  
motor enamels, half-hour enamels]
- /5 - Index of customers (first half of  
C19th?) referring to page numbers  
(400+) in a volume not present in the  
archive

Inv. No. NB: See HOOP - acquired at the same time, with  
Hooper Records