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What is the Big Ben?

1) . It's the symbol of Great Britain and one of the most beautiful sights of London.

2).It's the largest and the most famous clock in the world.

3) It's one of the highest towers of Westminster Palace.

4) Official name of the tower is the "Westminster Palace Clock Tower" or "St. Stephen's Tower".





The history of Big Ben. The history of Big Ben dates back to 1288, when it was built for the first time on Ralph De Hengham's money. He was the chairman of the Supreme Court of Queen's Bench.

According to one of the theories the clock has been named Big Ben after Sir Benjamin Hall, who directed work on the casting of the bell. Another theory claims that it has been named after Benjamin Caunt, who was one of the wellknown heavyweight boxers of the 19th century.



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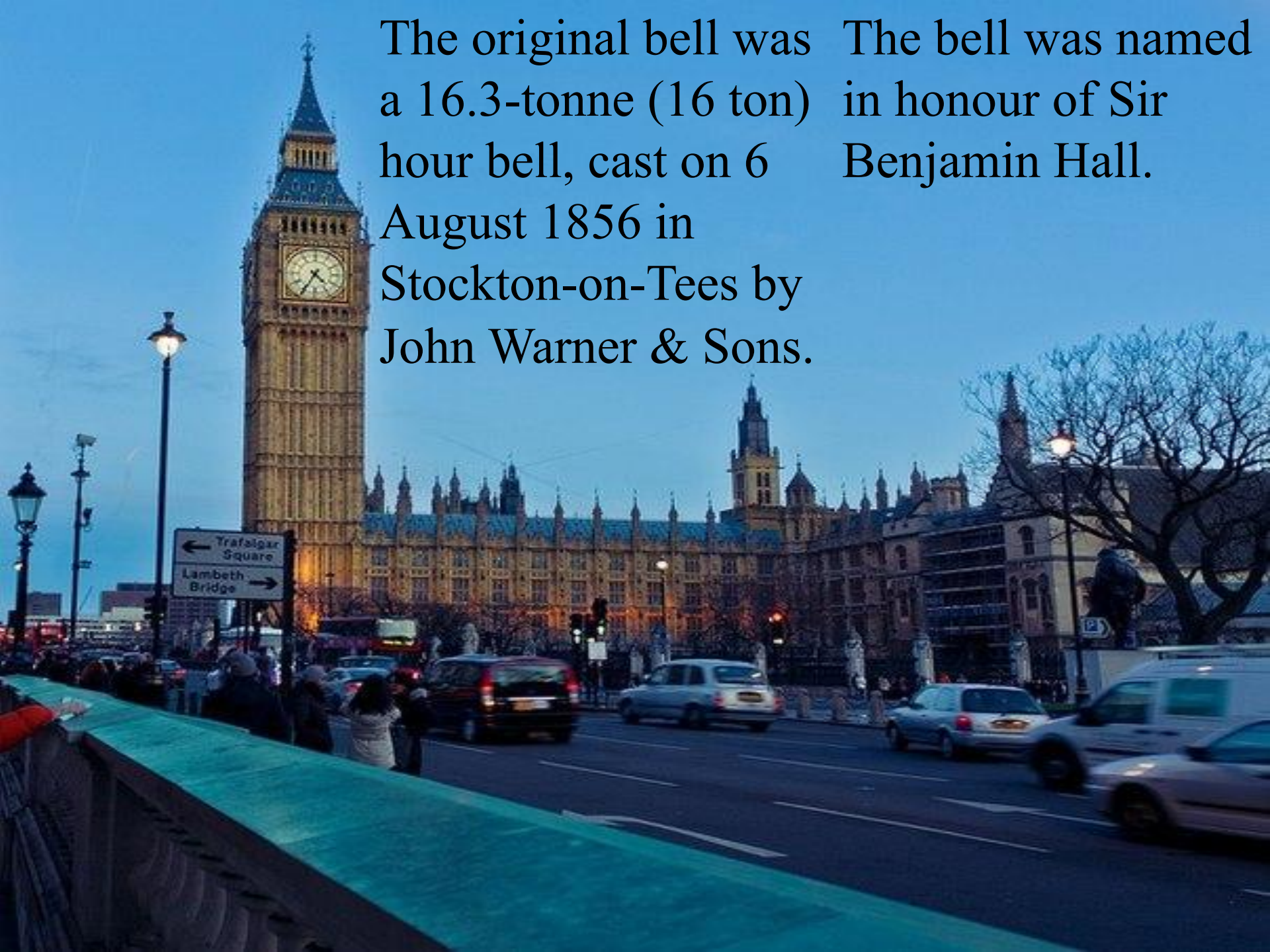
Sir Benjamin Hall. Benjamin Hall - known as Sir Benjamin Hall between 1838 and 1859, was a British civil engineer and politician. Personal details. Born: 8 November 1802 Died: 27 April 1867 (aged 64).

It is the largest four faced chiming clock
and the third-tallest
free-standing clock
tower in the world.

The clock struck for the
first time on 31 may 1859.

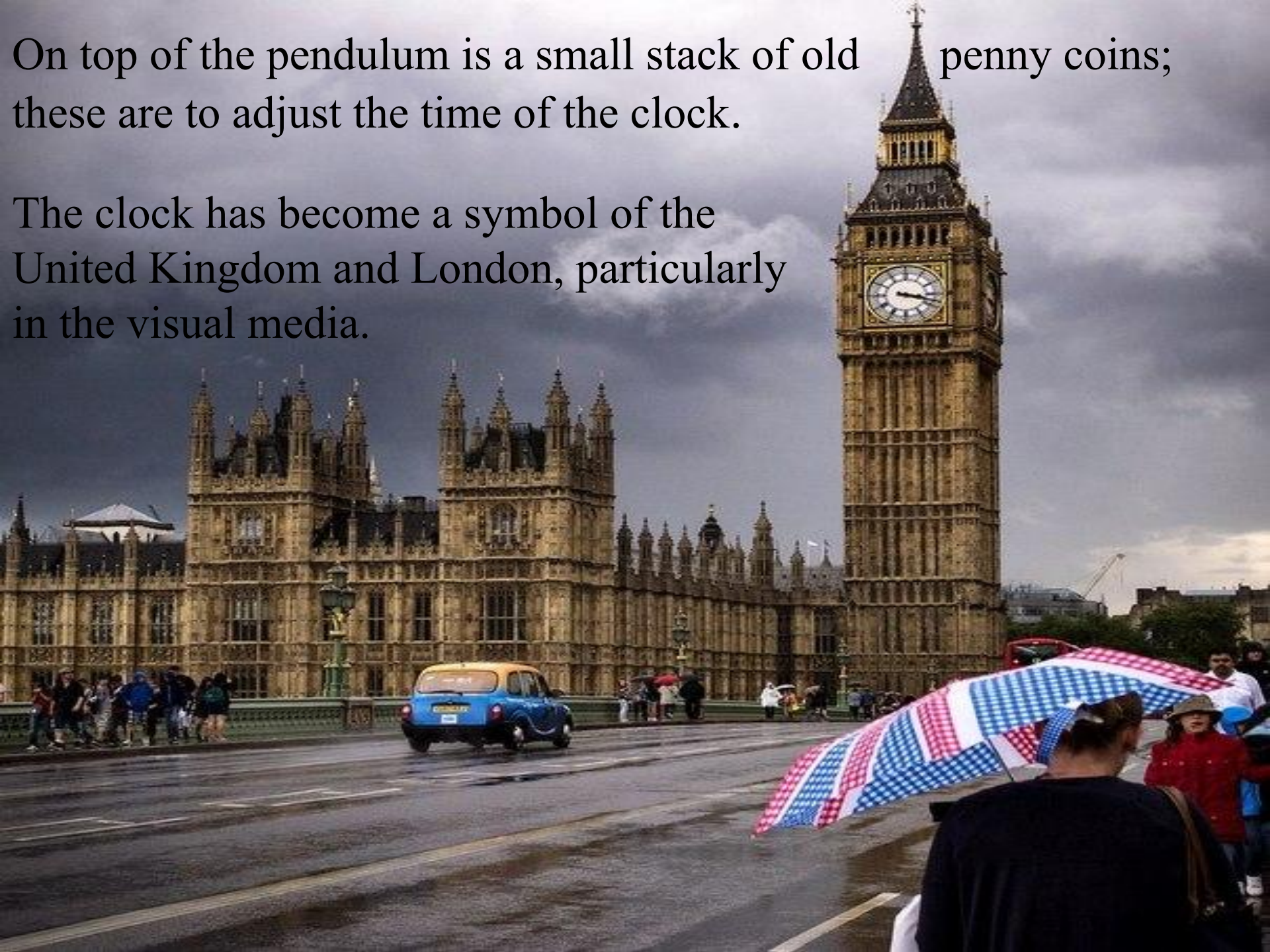


The original bell was a 16.3-tonne (16 ton) hour bell, cast on 6 August 1856 in Stockton-on-Tees by John Warner & Sons. The bell was named in honour of Sir Benjamin Hall.



On top of the pendulum is a small stack of old penny coins; these are to adjust the time of the clock.

The clock has become a symbol of the United Kingdom and London, particularly in the visual media.





Big Ben has become a popular. Big Ben has become a popular souvenir for tourists. Almost all visitors of London buy a small souvenir in the shape of the world famous clock. Also Big Ben can be often seen in famous films and ads.





Thank you for attention!