



The Tower Bridge.

Length of Bridge with							268o feet.	Depth of River at high water under central span, .	331/2 feet.
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Width between N. and	S. abut	ment	5.				830 ,,	down (varies from one part of the bridge to another)	20 to 291/2 feet.
,, of central span .		*:			20		200 ,,	Clear headway in centre span at high water with the	3000
,, of side spans, ea	ch .			r	*	43	270 ,.	leaves raised	143 feet.

## **Historical** facts:

In February 1876, the London government announced an open tender for a new bridge project.

The best project was recognized as the lifting-opening bridge of Sir Horace Jones, the chief architect of the city.

A huge amount of  $\pm$  585,000 was allocated for the creation of the grandiose building.

Construction started In 1886 and was completed in 8 years. The grand opening of the new bridge took place on June 30, 1894, by Prince Edward of Wales and his wife Princess Alexandra.



