

William the Conqueror

1028-1087



William I was born about 1028. He was the son of Robert I Duke of Normandy and Herleva of Falaise.





- When Robert of Normandy died in 1035 William inherited his father's title.

In 1053 William married Matilda of Flanders, the daughter of Count Baldwin of Flanders.



Over the next sixteen years the couple had nine children: William II Rufus, Henry I, Matilda, Adela and others.



William the Conqueror was king of England from 1066 until 1087.



William called the Conqueror, subjugated England in 1066, at the Battle of Hastings.



The field of the battle.



On 25 th December, 1066, William was crowned king of England by Aldred Archbishop of York, at Westminster Abbey.





William's main hobby appears hunting.



In 1078 William began building the Tower of London.



William founded the United English Kingdom.

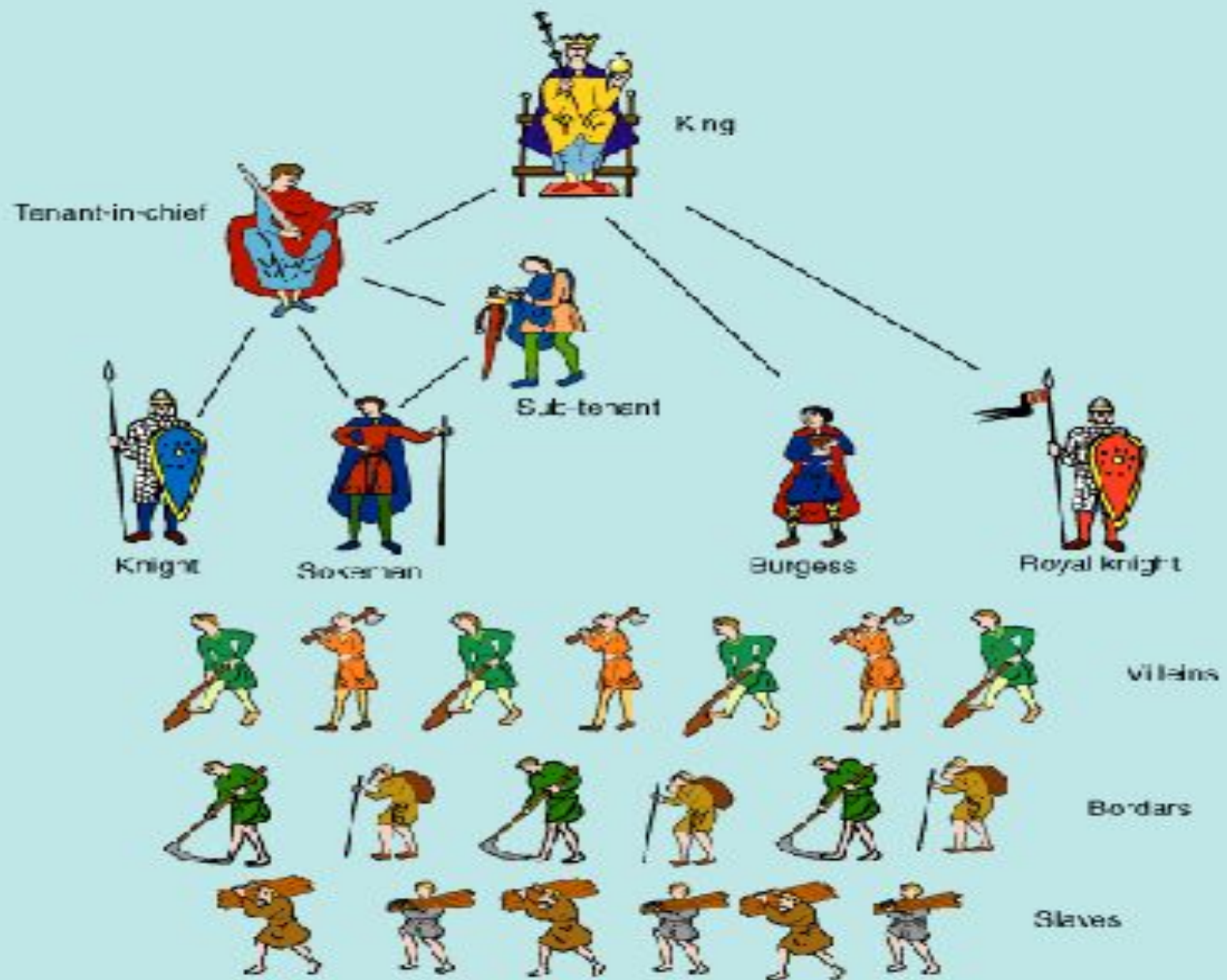


He created army and fleet.

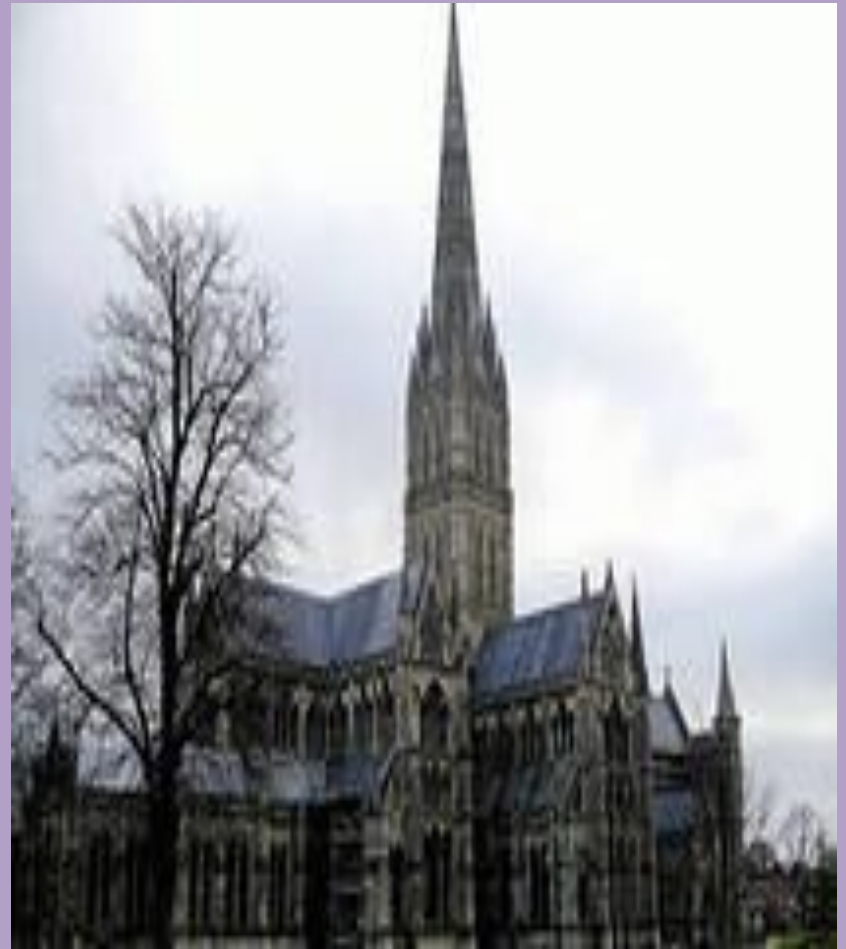


The Domesday Book was, in effect, the first national census. It was a royal survey of all England for administration and tax purposes.



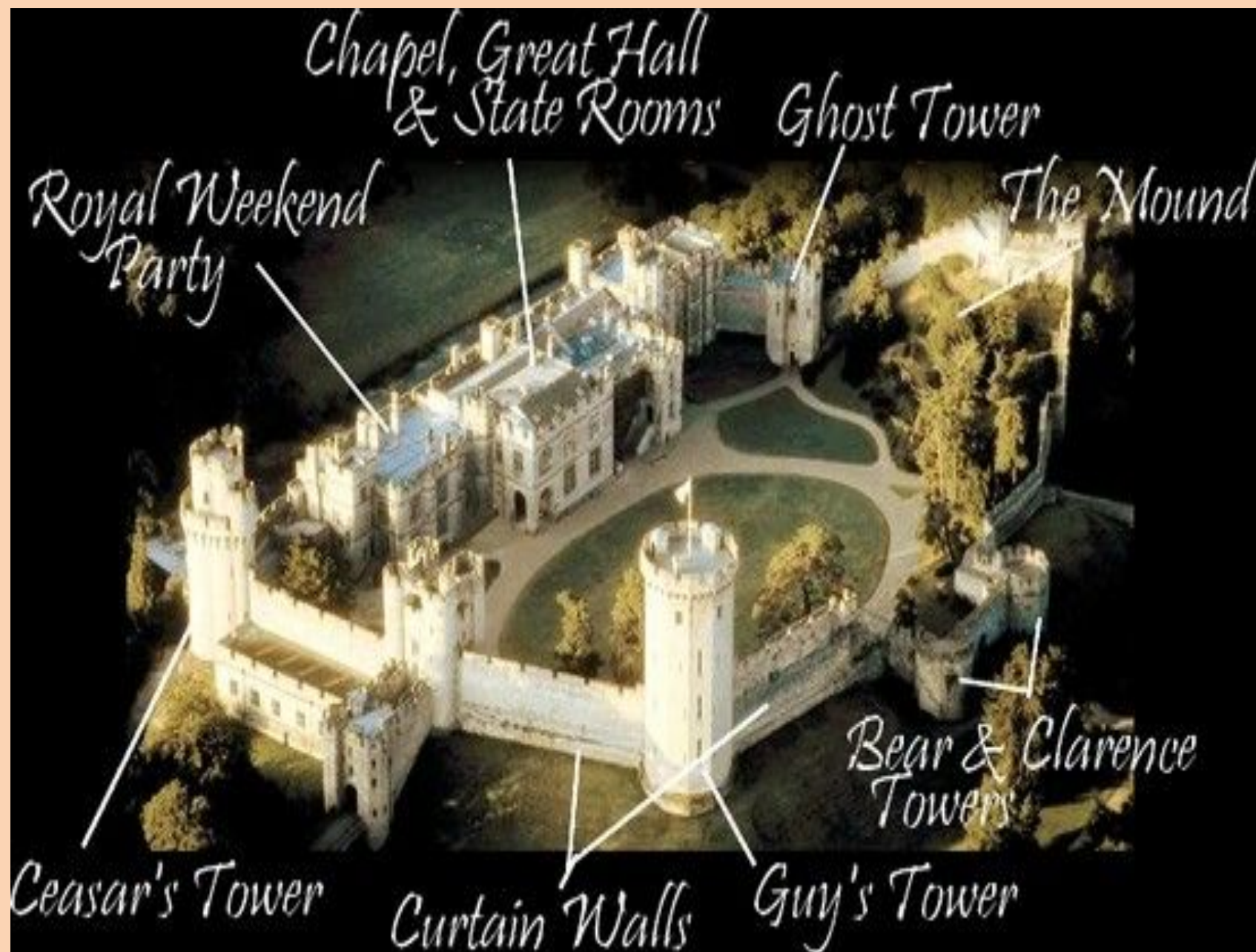


William changed the church in England.



He started to build stone fortresses.





The coins of William



William's seal



William's inheritance



William died on 9th September, 1087. He fell from his horse and suffered internal injuries. He was buried in Normandy.



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