

Battle of Cinderloo 1821

There were many men employed in the mines in the Dawley area and when the iron trade slowed down the demand for coal did too.

What to do

Read the story of the Battle of Cinderloo.

Questions to consider

1. How do we know there were coal pits around Dawley?
2. What did the miners do when the mine owners tried to reduce their wages?
3. What was the response of the authorities?
4. What punishments did the miners suffer? Were they fair?
5. Why do you think they lost the fight to keep their wages?
6. How do people complain about their wages now if they are not happy?
7. What happened to all the coal pits in the Dawley area?

