

Transport

SOURCE A

'The usual method of making or mending roads in stoney countries is a great nuisance to the traveller. It consists in breaking stones taken out of the neighbouring quarries into masses not much less than the common brick, and spreading them over the line of the roads. It may be conceived with what pain and difficulty a poor horse drags a carriage over such a track.'

How did cotton arrive at the Mills?

Monthly Magazine 1804 describes road conditions in Derbyshire

What did Arkwright change so that he could build the Second Mill?

SOURCE B

'The bridge carried the road from Matlock Bath over the Bonsall Brook and continued in this function until the construction of the second mill blocked this route.'

Cromford Mills Archaeological Survey 2007

What has changed since the First Mill was built?

SOURCE C

'The development of the turnpike road, now the A6, and the development of housing to the west of the mill in the 1920s, has obscured the historic view of the First Mill from Cromford Market Place as seen in early paintings.'

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SOURCE D



View of the mills from Greyhound Hotel c1790