

ingly; "I must get to my patient." And he whipped up his horse, rode safely over the swaying bridge (that spanned death in a horrible form), and finally disappeared into a very humble cottage on the other side, where a peasant, whose life hung in the balance, claimed his attention. A considerable time passed before he reappeared. In the meantime the work of destruction had been steadily going on, and the bridge was little more than a wreck. The Doctor eyed it critically, and mounted his horse; then he rode quickly towards it. But hands were laid upon his rein to hold him back. "Herr Doctor, you cannot go. The chances of gaining the shore are slight. Half the bridge is down! You will be churned to death among the rocks and rafters if it carries you down! You will perish before our eyes, and we can do nothing to save you!" "I have patients on the other side, who cannot wait six hours while I ride round. I must chance it while there is still a communication here." And he rode across the bridge. The shock of his weight finished the work of destruction that the boiling torrent had all but completed. As horse and rider reached the shore the ruined bridge was whirled away by the flood. "Bah!" said the Doctor, when anyone alluded to the adventure, which he made very light of, "I had my patients to think of."

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