stones continually carried along by it, render it impracticable for them to swim over. For carrying over the mules, two tarabitas are used, one for each side of the river; and these are much thicker and slacker. On this rope is only one clue or loop, which is of wood; and by this a beast is suspended, being fastened to it with girts round the belly and neck. When this is performed, the creature is pushed off, and almost immediately landed on the opposite side. Animals that are accustomed to be conveyed over in this manner never make the least opposition, but come of themselves to have the girts fastened round them; yet they are at first brought with great difficulty to suffer this to be done, and on their finding themselves suspended in the air, kick and plunge violently during their short passage.

THE NATURAL BRIDGE,
in the county of Rockbridge, Virginia, is a stupendous curiosity. It unites two hills, between which passes a small stream called Cedar Creek. The height of the Bridge from the water is about two hundred and ten feet. The bases of the abutments