ived at the next village, I began to reflect on the best means of constructing in this place a wooden bridge, and I contrived the above expedient. I proposed my plan to the Corregidor, Don Jayme Alonzo Y Cuniga, a very intelligent man, who being fond of the French, received me with great politeness. He approved of my idea, and agreed that, at the expense of a thousand piasters, a Bridge of twelve feet in breadth, which all Peru would come to see, through curiosity, might be constructed in that place. But, as I set out three days after, I do not know whether this project, with which this worthy man seemed highly pleased, was ever carried into execution.

It may here be remarked that it would be easy to arrange the voussoirs of a Bridge of this kind in such a manner that, in case of necessity, any one of them might be taken out, in order to substitute another in its stead, which would afford the means of making all the necessary repairs.

If the rope used for dragging over the machine should break, the man must remain suspended for some hours, until means have been found to relieve him from his painful situation.