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# ARJUNA, THE MONKEY AND THE BOY



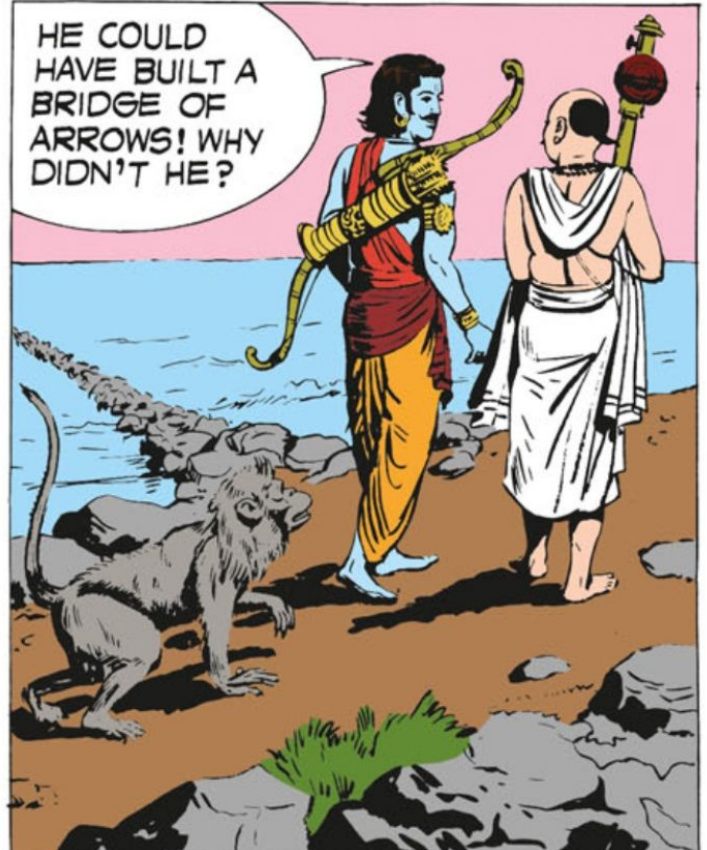
ONCE, WHILE ARJUNA WAS ON A PILGRIMAGE TO VARIOUS HOLY PLACES, HE CAME TO RAMESWARAM.\*

AND THAT IS THE BRIDGE RAMA BUILT WITH THE HELP OF THE MONKEYS.

MONKEYS? BUT WHY DID A GREAT ARCHER LIKE HIM NEED THE HELP OF MONKEYS?



HE COULD HAVE BUILT A BRIDGE OF ARROWS! WHY DIDN'T HE?





THE BRAHMAN WENT HIS WAY BUT A MONKEY, WHICH WAS FOLLOWING ARJUNA, BURST OUT LAUGHING.



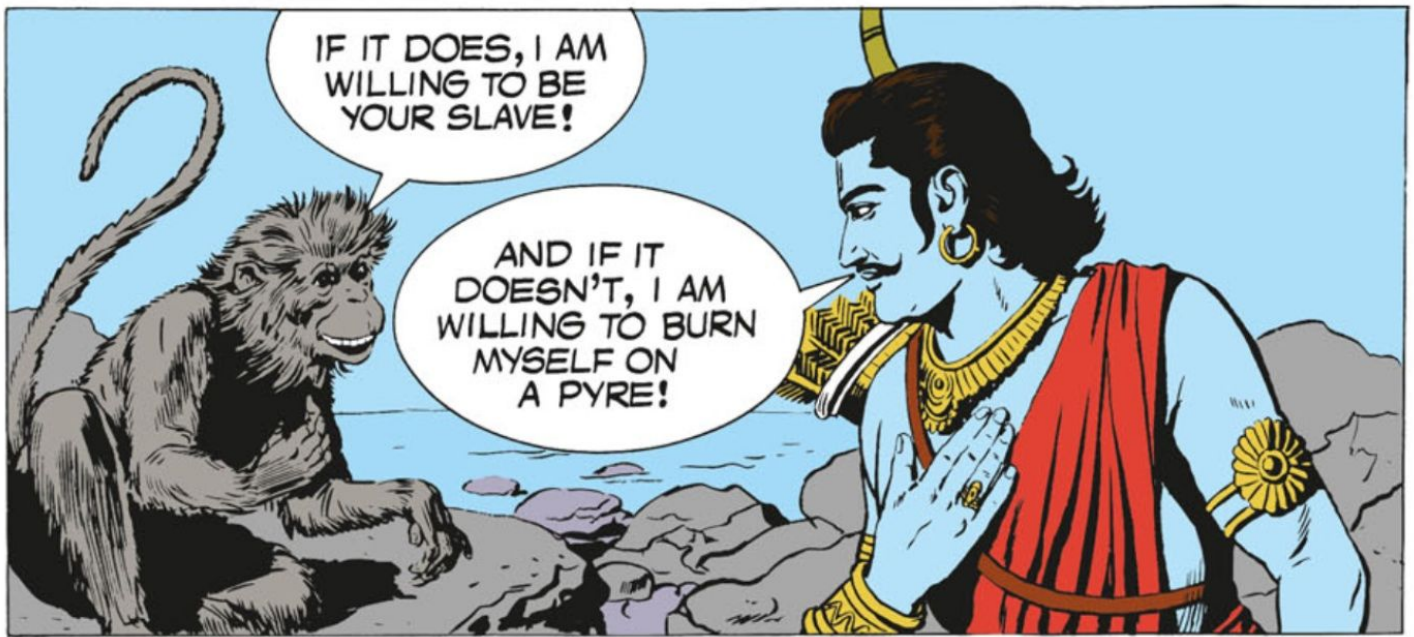
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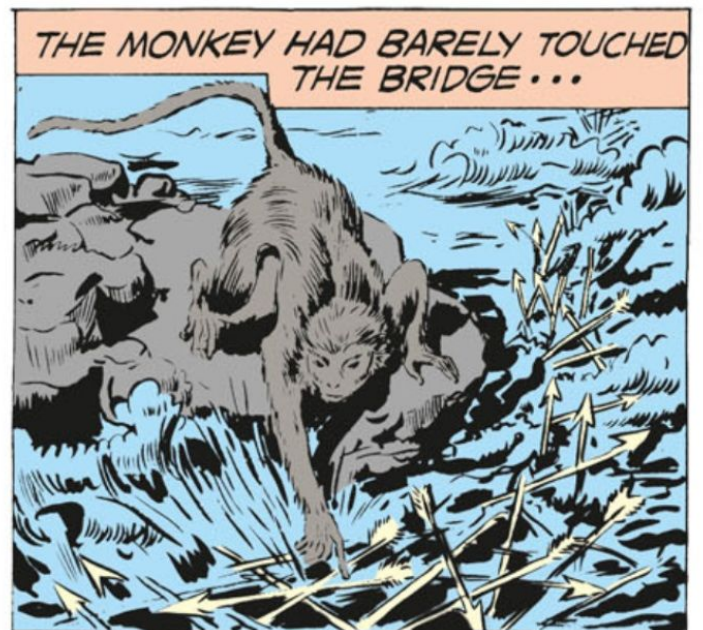
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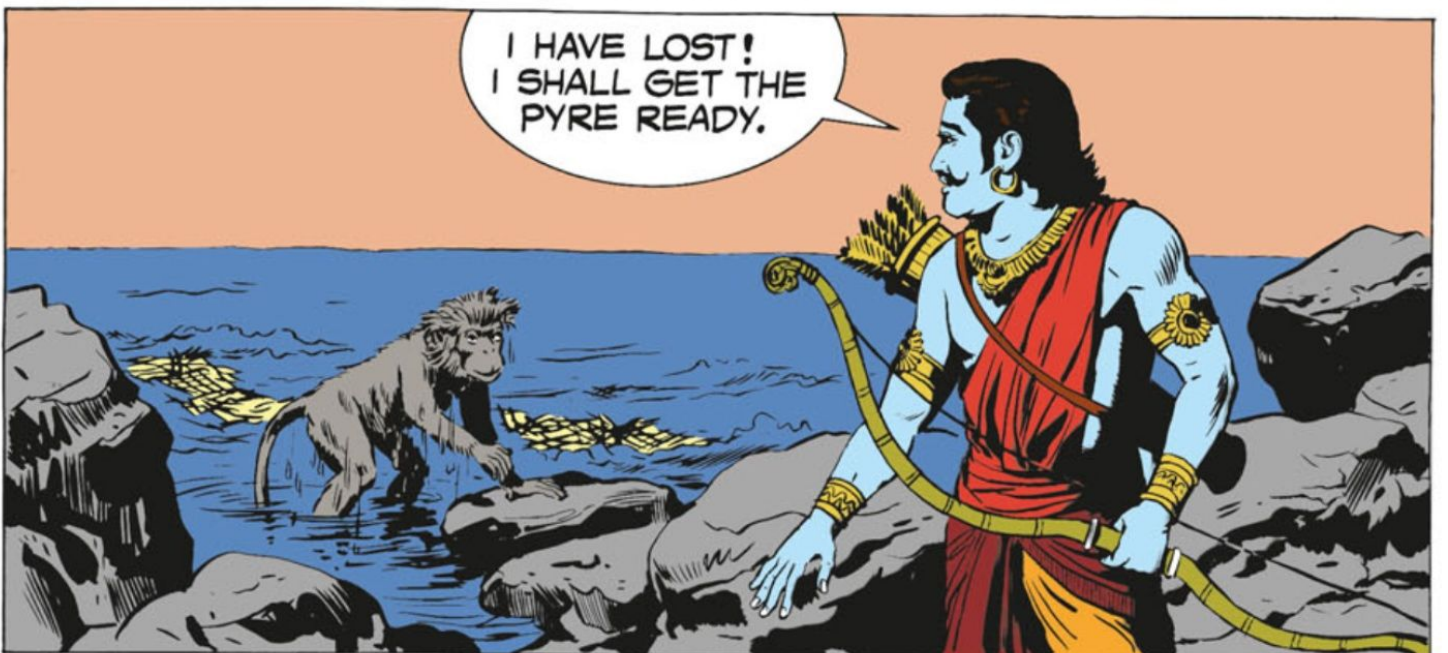
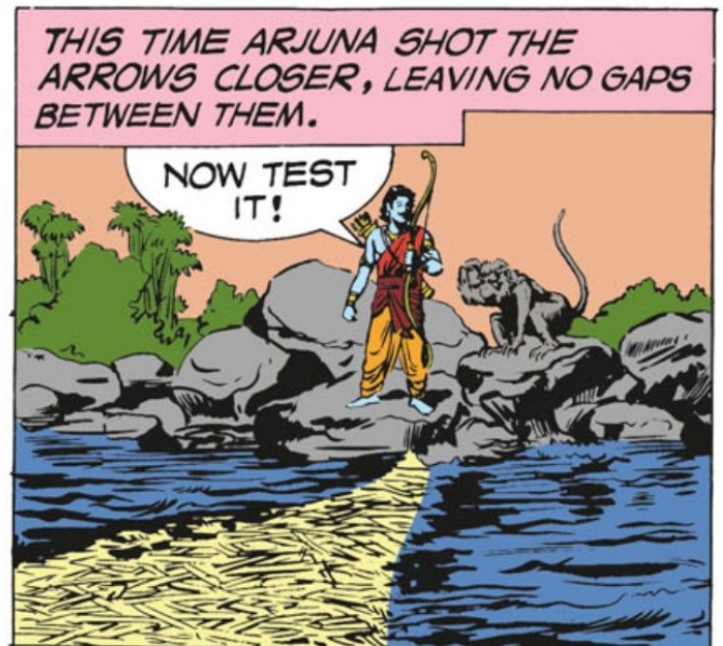




SO ARJUNA SET TO WORK AND BEGAN TO BRIDGE THE WATERS BETWEEN LANKA AND THE MAINLAND WITH A SHOWER OF ARROWS.

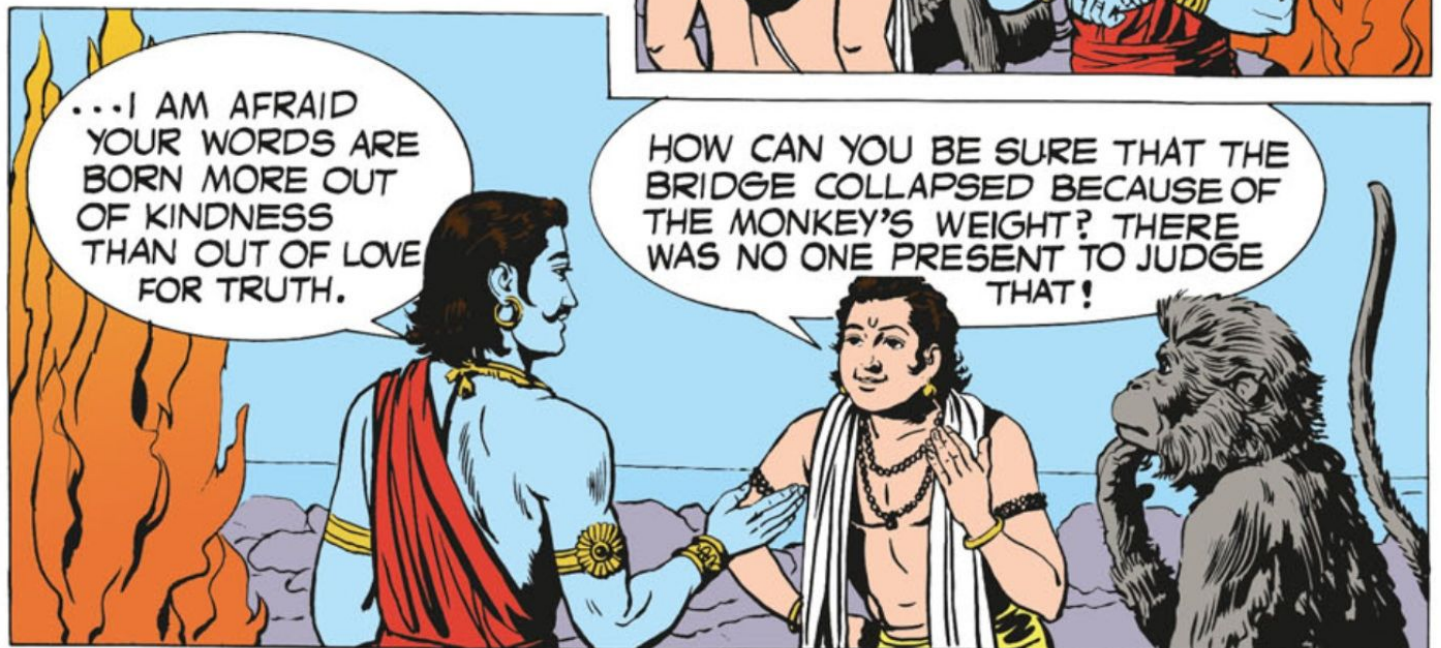
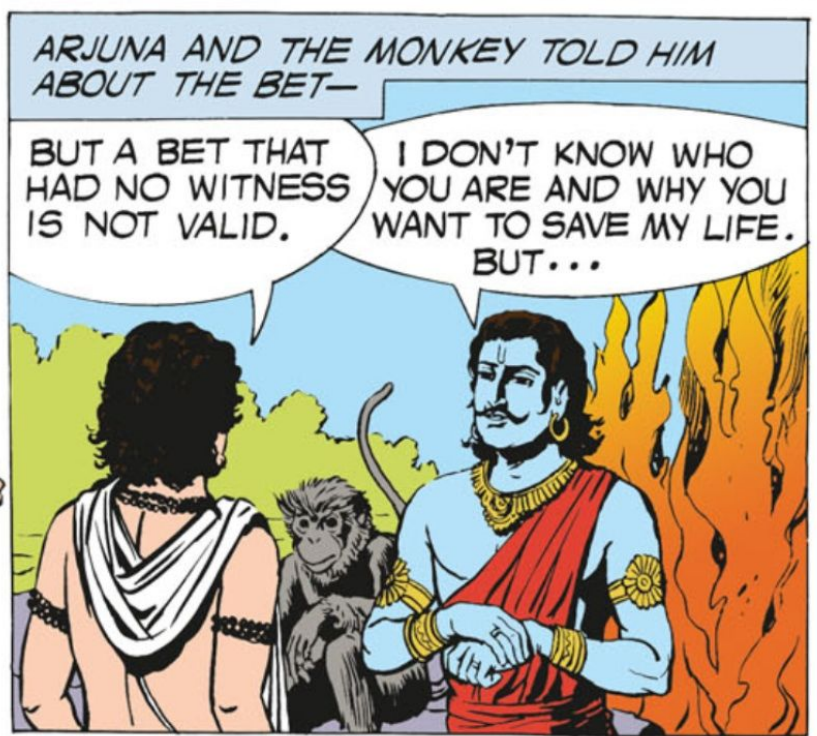
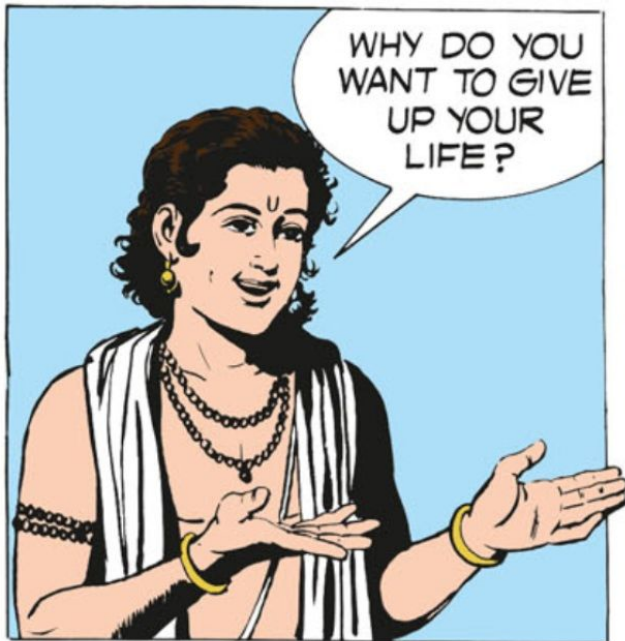




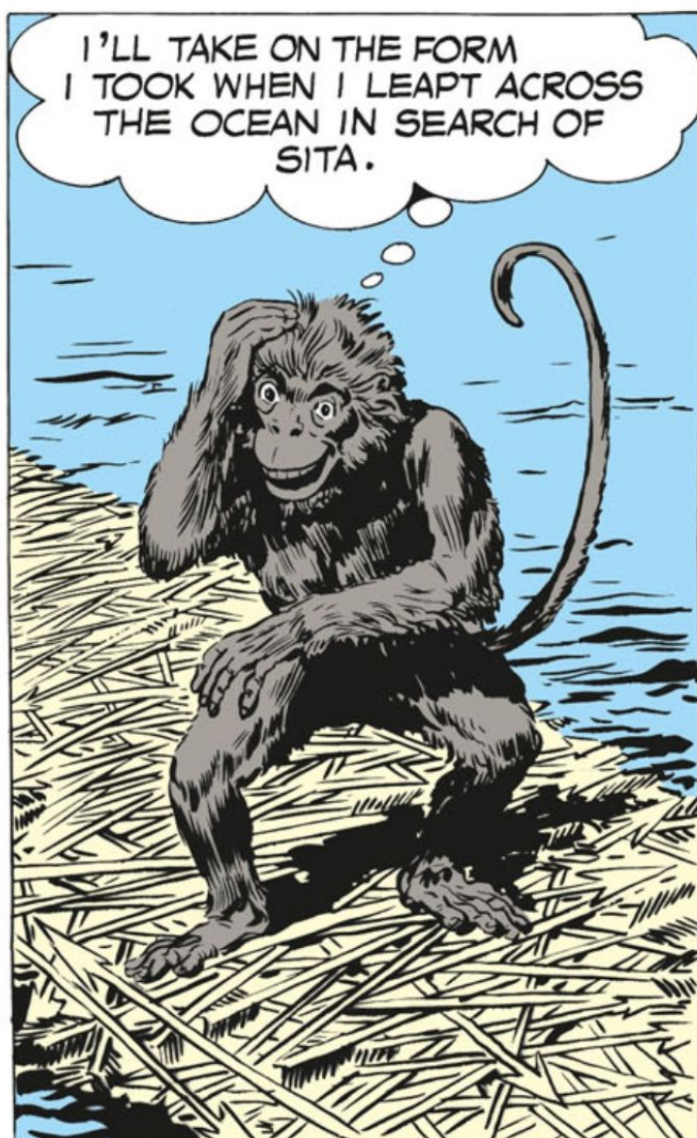
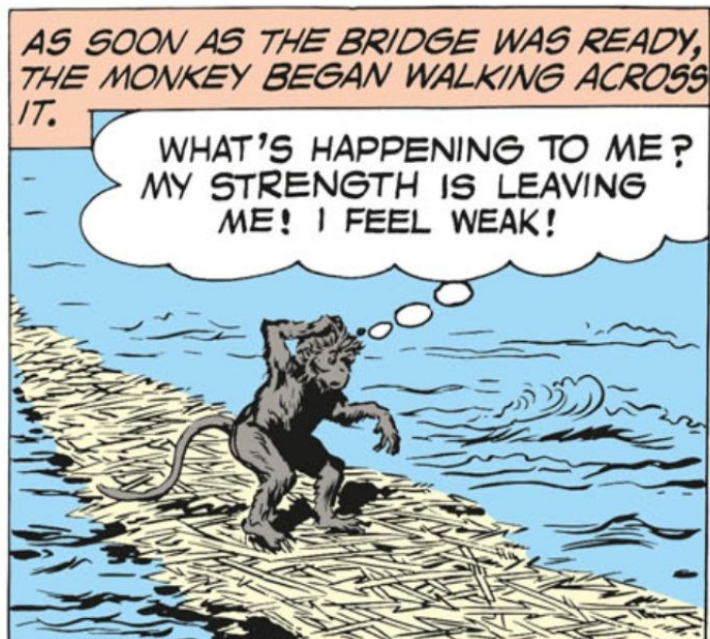
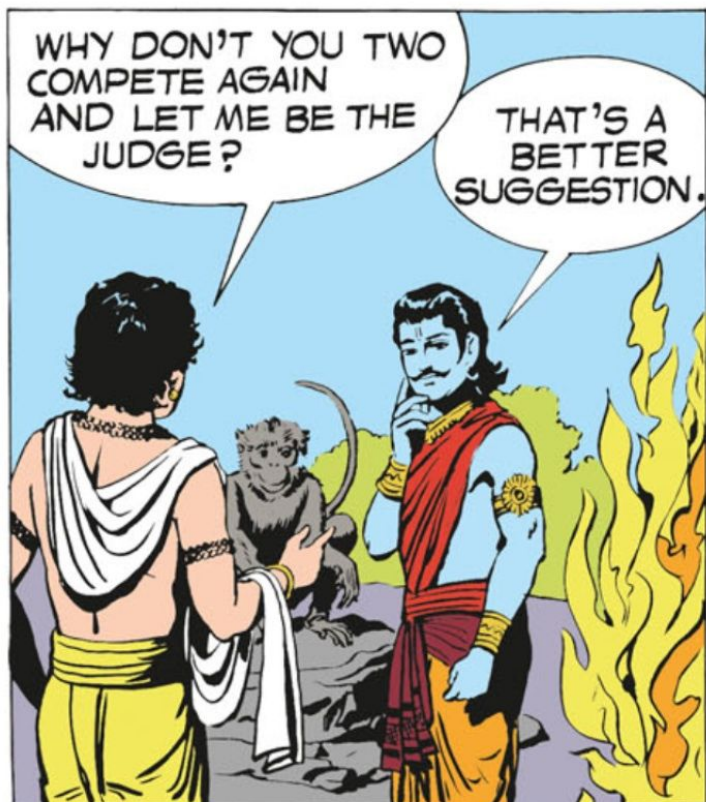




THE PYRE WAS MADE AND ARJUNA WAS ABOUT TO JUMP INTO THE FLAMES—



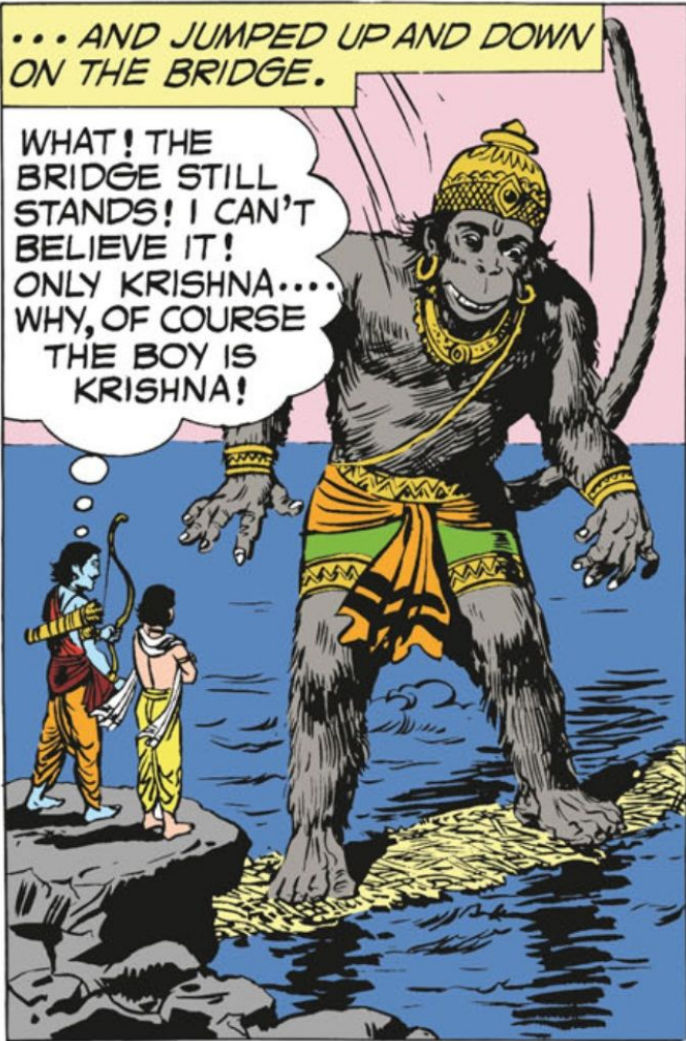






... AND JUMPED UP AND DOWN ON THE BRIDGE.

WHAT! THE BRIDGE STILL STANDS! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! ONLY KRISHNA.... WHY, OF COURSE THE BOY IS KRISHNA!



AT THE SAME MOMENT, THE MONKEY, TOO, REALISED THE TRUTH.

WHAT A VAIN FOOL I HAVE BEEN. OF COURSE IT IS THE LORD HIMSELF!



RAMA!

KRISHNA!





AND LO! IN THE PLACE OF THE  
BOY STOOD LORD VISHNU.

YES IT IS I ! BOTH  
OF YOU NEEDED  
TO BE TAUGHT A LESSON  
IN HUMILITY. YOU, ARJUNA,  
WERE TOO VAIN.



AND YOU, HANUMAN,  
WERE TOO PROUD OF  
YOUR STRENGTH.



HANUMAN, TO  
FULFIL THE CONDITIONS  
OF YOUR WAGER YOU  
SHALL BE ON  
ARJUNA'S  
FLAG.

