{AT715} Demi-coq.

Is put in with the horses, oxen, etc. The animals taken along (bear, wolf, etc.) help.

I. Two children are left a cock.

They cut it in two. Through the help of the boy's fairy godmother the half-cock is made magic.

II. Demi-coq sets out to recover borrowed money. Under his wings he takes with him some robbers, two foxes, and a stream of water. He goes to a castle and asks for money. He is imprisoned with the hens: he foxes eat them up. Likewise in the stable the robbers steal the horses. When he is to be burned the stream puts out the fire. He is finally given the money. The king eats the cock who crows in his body.

Motifs:

I.

[F311.1] Fairy godmother.

[B171.1] Demi-coq. A cock is cut in two and is made magic. Carries robbers, foxes, and stream of water under wings.

II.

[D915.2] River contained under cock's wings.

[F601.7] Animals as extraordinary companions.

[B435.1] Helpful fox.

[D1382.8] Magic stream quenches fire.

[K481] Demi-coq by means of his magic animals and magic water collects money.

[B171.1.1] Demi-coq crows in king's body, when the king eats him.

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{AT715A} The Wonderful Cock.

An old couple have a cock and a hen; the cock flies to the rich man's manor and cries: »Cock-adoodle-doo, I will eat you!»; the man orders it to be thrown into the stable. It pecks open the horses' heads (eyes): when thrown into the well, it cries, »buttocks, swallow the water!»; finally thrown into the strong-box, bids couple spread a sheet and casts out the money; the hen tries to do likewise but gets dung in place of money.

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