Garga, they mean this work. We have seen that the full title exhibits the epithet Vrddha, and in the work itself, as well as in the verses quoted by Utpala, he is as often called Vrddha Garga, as simply Garga, e. g.

चासीनं चिमवत्पार्श्व बद्धग्रां महामुनिम्। कोष्ट्रिकः परिपप्रच्छ विनयात् संशितव्रतम्॥

and without the epithet:

विनयादुपसंगम्य गर्भं को खुकिर ब्रवीत्।

Thus it is manifest that by Garga and Vrddha-Garga the same mythical person is meant; but the case is different in regard to the works which are quoted under the name of Garga and Vrddha Garga, respectively. This does not appear from the Brhat Sanhitá, where Vrddha-Garga occurs twice* and no verses are quoted, but from quotations in Utpala's commentary. More than once the opinion of Vrddha-Garga is set against that of Garga; e. g. when at the beginning of Chap. XXXI. of Brh. Sanh. the dissentient views of the Sages about the cause of earthquakes are noticed, the commentator cites some verses of Vrddha-Garga, who represents earthquakes as caused by the gods to show their satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the conduct of the mortals; Garga on the contrary sees the cause of earthquakes in the heaving sighs of the tired elephants of the four quarters. This is not the only passage. Sometimes Garga and Vrddha-Garga—i. e. the works quoted under these names—are both cited as authorities for some opinion in which both agree. Here we have two facts: Garga and Vrddha-Garga, considered as persons, are one and the same, but where Utpala quotes Vrddha-Garga he has another work than the Gárgí-Sanhitá in view. How to explain it? Considering that after the words "iti Vrddha-Gárgí-tantra, &c." there follows a Mayuracitrakam of a Vrddha-Gargiyam Jyotihçástram," and that at least one çloka, adduced by Utpala

^{*} Brh-Sanh. XIII. 2, XLVIII. 2.