

fine, it is certain, from the relations of travellers, that of some elephants, the tusks weigh more than 120lbs.* From these observations, we cannot doubt that those tusks and bones we have already noticed for their prodigious size, actually belonged to the elephant. Sir Hans Sloane was of that opinion, but he did not prove it. M. Gemelin said it still more affirmatively, and gave on this subject several curious facts†; but M. Daubenton is the first who has proved them unquestionably

* Mr. Eden says, that several elephant's tusks which he measured, were no less than nine feet long, and as big as a man's thigh in circumference, some of them weighing more than nine pounds; and that he saw a head in the possession of a Mr. Jude, which had been brought from Guinea by some English ships, of which the mere bones, without the tusks, weighed upwards of 200lbs. and it was supposed that when the head was entire it could not weigh less than 500lbs. Lopes affirms he met with several tusks that weighed 200lbs. *Hist. Gen. des Voyages.* This magnitude of the tusks is also confirmed by Drake, Holbe, and the Dutch travellers.

† The Czar, Peter, being curious in Natural History, issued orders in the year 1722, that wherever any bones of the mammoth should be found, search should be made after the remainder, and the whole of them sent to Petersburg, and which orders were made public in all the towns of Siberia. In consequence of this several persons applied to the Woywode of Jakutzk to be sent off to two different places, where they affirmed they had seen these bones; their demands were complied with, and many of them returned with heads and various bones, which were transmitted to Petersburg, and