

us that other races have become extinct, it confirms the intimation of Scripture, that the human race also may pass from the earth, and verify the announcement in its relation to man, that time shall be no more.

Even in regard to scriptural chronology, where the grand difficulty is supposed to lie, I may remark that while the Bible declares of the human race that we are of yesterday, yet, in characterising the age of the earth, revelation never speaks of it as if it were modern. God 'hath chosen us in Christ before the foundation of the world.' Would the apostle have so expressed himself, unless he had considered the world to be exceedingly ancient? 'Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth.' Would not a modern geologist, who believes in a Creator, adopt as his own this declaration of the psalmist? 'Or ever the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the sea, even from everlasting to everlasting thou art God.' It is plain that in this passage the globe is spoken of as only less ancient than eternity itself.

If by the testimony both of geology and of