

ever on the last act in the drama of man's mortal existence.

The seas shall waste, the skies in smoke
decay,
Rocks fall to dust, and mountains melt
away ;
But fixed His word, His saving power re-
mains,
His realm forever lasts; our own Messiah
reigns.

The practical conclusions to be drawn from these reflections may be briefly summed up as follows:

1st. We should love our Lord Jesus Christ with our whole heart and soul, for He first loved us and delivered Himself for us, and, with St. Paul, we should count all things as valueless and vile, provided we gain Christ and abide in his love and friendship.

2d. We should value the salvation of our immortal souls above all things, and as the great end and object of our existence here, since Christ so prized them as to lay down his