



A 19th century French memento mori

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Le temps passe, l'Eternité approche ! et nous n'y pesnons pas! Souviens-toi, ô homme, que tu n'es que poussière et que tu retourneras en poussière. Acuerdate hombre, que eres de polvo y que volveras á polvo.

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"Time passes, Eternity approaches! and we don't think about it! Remember, O man, that you are dust and to dust you will return." A memento mori, featuring a skull placed on an open book and rosary, on bones in a graveyard. In the background are the souls of the departed, following the light to heaven on the left and plunging to hell to be met by the Devil on the right.

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