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A plan of eclipses over England in the 18th century

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A Map Exhibiting the Dark Shadow of the Moon over England and other parts of Europe, in the Five Great Solar Eclipses, Of the Years, 1715, 1724, 1737, 1748 and 1764.

London: Laurie & Whittle, 1794. Original outline colour. 315 x 310mm, with wide margins.

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