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that the appearance of these mighty bodies are the forerunners of some dreadful calamity, or the destruction of the earth.

ECLIPSES.

During the Year 1834, there will be four Eclipses, which will happen in the following order.

The First will be an eclipse of the Sun, on Saturday, June 7th, and visible here.

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Sun rises - - - - - 4 h. 26 min.
Beginning of Eclipse - 5 h. 15 min.
Middle & - - - - 5 h. 42 min.
End - - - - - 6 h. 27 min.
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There will be about 1½ digits eclipsed on the Sun's southern limb

The Second will be an Eclipse of the Moon, on Saturday, June
21st, visible here, and total.

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Moon rises - 20th day, 7 h. 43 min. Evening.

Beginning - 21st day, 2 h. 48 min.

Middle & - - - - - 4 h. 9 min.

End of the Eclipse - - 5 h. 49 min.

In the Morning.
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The Third will be of the Sun, on Sunday, November 30th, and visible here.

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Beginning - - - - 1 h. 52 min.

Middle 8 - - - - 2 h. 33 min.

End - - - - 2 h. 54 min.
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1 Digit will be eclipsed on the Sun's northern limb.

The Fourth will be an eclipse of the Moon, on Monday, December 15th, and will be visible.

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Moon rises - - - - - 7 h. 37 min. Beginning of Eclipse 10 h. 44 min. Middle 8 (16th day) 0 h. 41 min. In the Evening. End - - - - - 2 h. 51 min.
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About 8 digits will be eclipsed on the Moon's southern limb.

It is difficult to observe exactly either the beginning or ending of a lunar eclipse, even with a good telescope, because the earth's shadow is so faint and ill-defined about the edges, that when the moon is either just touching or leaving it, the obscuration of her limb is scarcely visible; and therefore, the nicest observers can hardly be certain to a few seconds of time; but both the beginning and ending of solar eclipses are instantaneously visible.

Among the many interesting phenomena, which take place in the glorious firmament of heaven, Eclipses are surely the most august and sublime. Men in all ages and in all climes, have considered them as the most wondrous spectacles that the works of the Creator exhibit. When the majestic orbs of heaven are shrouded in darkness, all animated nature seems to mourn, and to muse with the deepest anxiety on these great events. But with what different sensations are these scenes beheld by the different characters of

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