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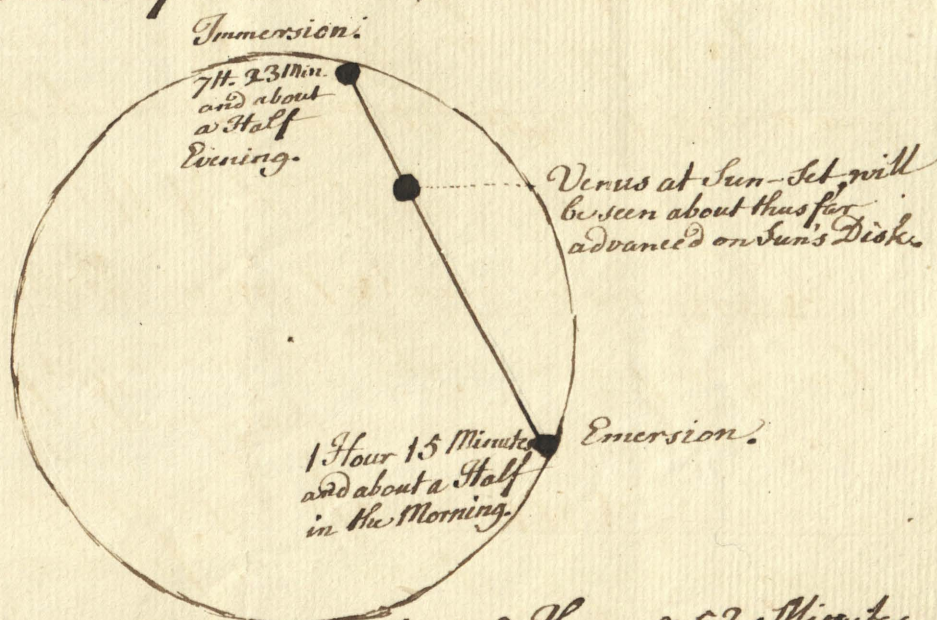
The Passage of Venus over the Sun's Disk will
happen on the third of June 1769.

Morally speaking, None now living will see
the same Phenomenon again, which will only
happen again in 1874, and again 2004.

At Richmond.

It is to be presumed that the Planet Venus will
be seen completely entered as a black Spot on
the Top of the Sun's Disk, at about 23 Minutes
and a Half Past Seven in the Evening.

Whence if the Weather is favorable the Obser-
vation may last distinct for about One Hour
and two Thirds of an Hour, till Sunset.



Whereby Venus will take up about 5 Hours & 52 Minutes
in Passing thro' that Line of the Sun's Disk, could We
in that Place viz: Richmond see the whole Transit of Venus.

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The most desirable Position on this Earth for an Observation of this Transit of Venus over the Sun's Disk would undoubtedly be such as could see the Planet's first Appearance, Progress over the Sun's Disk and Disappearance after the Planet's Passage over the Sun's apparent flat Surface, namely its Immersion on the Disk, Continuance over it, and Emersion out of it.

Some of the Islands in the South Sea would be very favorable for that Purpose.

Within our Northern Frigid Zone, for example where the Sun does not set but continues above the Horizon, Observations might be taken to great Purpose.

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