

21. Up and walked to the Temple, it being frosty; and there took coach, my boy Tom with me, and so to Whitehall to [a] Committee of Tanger; where they met by and by and till twelve at noon upon business; among others, mine, where my desire about being eased of appointing and standing accountable for a Treasurer there was well accepted, and they will think of some other way. Thence in my own coach home, where I find Madam Turner, Dike, and The[oph]. – and had a good dinner for them, and merry; and so carried them to the Duke of York's House (all but Dyke, who went away on other business) and there saw *The Tempest*; but it is but ill done, by Gosnell in lieu of Mall Davis. Thence set them at home, and my wife and I to the Change; and so home, where my wife mighty dogged; and vexed to see it, being mightily troubled of late at her being out of humour, for fear of her discovering any new matter of offence against me; though I am conscious of none, but do hate to be unquiet at home. So late up, silent and not supping, but hearing her utter some words of discontent to me with silence; and so to bed weeping to myself for grief – which she discerning, came to bed and mighty kind; and so, with great joy on both sides, to sleep.

22. Up and with W. Hewer to Whitehall, and there attended the Duke of York; and thence to the Exchange, in the way calling at several places on occasions relating to my feast tomorrow, on which my mind is now set – as, how to get a new looking-glass for my dining-room, and some pewter and good wine against tomorrow. And so home, where I had the looking-glass set up; cost me 6l 7s. 6d. And here at the Change I met with Mr. Dancre, the famous lanskip painter – with whom I was on Wednesdy; and he took measure of my panels in my dining-room, where in the four I intend to have the four houses of the King – Whitehall, Hampton court, Greenwich – and Windsor. He gone, I to dinner with my people, and so to my office to despatch a little business; and then home to look after things against tomorrow. And among other things, was mightily pleased with the fellow that came to lay the cloth and fold the napkins – which I like so well, as that I am resolved to give him 40s. to teach my wife to do it. So to supper, with much kindness between me and my wife, which nowadays is all my care; and so to bed.