

coach to [Bartholomew] fair and showed her the Munkys dancing on the ropes; which was strange, but such dirty sport that I was not pleased with it. There was also a horse with hoofes like Rams hornes – a goose with four feet – and a cock with three. Thence to another place and saw some German clockeworks, the Salutation of the Virgin Mary and several Scripture stories; but above all, there was at last represented the Sea, with Neptune, Venus, mermaids, and Cupid on a Dolphin, the sea rolling. Thence home by coach with my wife, and I a while to the office; and so to supper and to bed.

8. Up and to my vyall a while; and then to my office, one Phillips having brought me a draught of the *Katharin* Yacht, prettily well done for the common way of doing it. At the office all the morning, making up our last half-year's account to my Lord Treasurer, which comes to 16000*l* or thereabouts, the proper expense of this half-year; only, with an addition of 13000*l* for the threepences¹ due of the last account to the Treasurer for his disbursements and 1100*l* for this half-year's; so that in three years and half, his threepences come to 14100*l*. Dined at home with my wife, it being washing day; we had a good pie, baked of a leg of mutton. And then to my office and then abroad; and among other places, to Moxon's and there bought a payre of Globes, cost me 3*l* 10*s*. – with which I am well pleased, I buying them principally for my wife, who hath a mind to understand them – and I shall take pleasure to teach her. But here I saw his great Window in his dining-room, where there is the two Terrestriell Hemispheres, so painted as I never saw in my life, and nobly done and to good purpose – done by his own hand. Thence home to my office and there at business late. And then to supper, home and to bed – my people sitting up longer then ordinary before they had done their washing.

9. To Whitehall to Sir G. Carterets, but did not speak with him; and so to Westminster hall, God forgive me, thinking to meet Mrs. Lane, but she was not there; but here I met with Ned Pickering, with whom I walked three or four hours till evening, he telling me the whole business of my Lord's folly with this Mrs. Becke at Chelsy, of all which I am ashamed to see my Lord so grossly play the beast and fool, to the flinging off of all Honour, friends, servants

1. See above, p. 203, n.