

fullness of time God sent his Son, made of a woman, &c., shewing that by "made under the law," is meant his circumcision, which is solemnised this day. Dined at home in the garret, where my wife dressed the remains of a turkey, and in the doing of it she burned her hand. I stayed at home all the afternoon, looking over my accounts. Then went with my wife to my father's; and in going, observed the great posts which the City hath set up at the Conduit in Fleet street. Supped at my father's, where in came Mrs. The[oph]. Turner and Madam Morris and supped with us. After that, my wife and I went home with them, and so to our own home.

2. In the morning, before I went forth, old East brought me a dozen of bottles of sack and I gave him a shilling for his pains. Then I went to Mr. Sheply, who was drawing of sack in the wine-cellar to send to other places as a gift from my Lord,¹ and told me that my Lord hath given him order to give me the dozen of bottles. Then I went to Mr. Crew's and borrowed 10l: of Mr. Andrewes for my own use; and so went to my office, where there was nothing to do. Then I walked a great while in Westminster hall, where I heard that Lambert was coming up to London. Great talk that many places have declared for a free Parliament; and it is believed that they will be forced to fill up the House with the old members. From the Hall I called at home, and so went to Mr. Crew's (my wife, she was to go to her father's), thinking to have dined; but I came too late. So Mr. Moore and I and another Gentleman went out and drank a cup of ale together in the new market, and there I eat some bread and cheese for my dinner. After that, Mr. Moore and I went as far as Fleet street together and parted. Then I went home, and finding my wife gone to see Mrs. Hunt, I went to Will's and there sat with Mr. Ashwell talking and singing till 9 a-clock, and so home. There, having not eat anything but bread and cheese, my wife cut me a slice of brawn which I received from my Lady,² which proves as good as ever I had any. So to bed, and my [wife] had a very bad night of it through wind and cold.

3. Mr. Sheply, Hawly and Moore dined with me on a piece of beef and cabbage, and a collar of brawn. We then fell to cards till dark, and then I went home with Mrs. Jem. Thence back to Whitehall, where I understood that the Parliament have passed the

1. Edward Mountagu, his patron.

2. Jemima, wife of Edward Mountagu.