

where he set some things in order there. And so home, calling upon Sir Geffery Palmer, who did give me advice about my patent which put me to some doubt to know what to do – Barlow being alive. Homeward called at Mr. Pims about getting me a coat of velvett, and he took me to the Half Moone, and there the house so full that we stayed above half an hour before we could get anything. So to my Lord's, where in the dark W. Howe and I did sing Extemporys, and I find by use that we are able to sing a bass and a treble pretty well. So home and to bed.

7. To my Lord. One with me to buy a clerk's place with me, and I did demand 100*l*. To the Council chamber, where I took out an order for the advance of the salaries of the officers of the Navy, and I find mine to be raised to 350*l* per annum. Thence to the Change, where I bought two fine prints of Ragotts from Rubens; and afterward dined with my uncle and Aunt Wight, where her sister Con and her husband was. After that to Mr. Rawlinsons with my uncle; and thence to the Navy Office, where I begin to take an inventory of the papers and goods and books of the office. To my Lord's. Late writing letters. So home to bed.

8. *Lords day*. To Whitehall to chapel, where I got in with ease by going before the Lord Chancellor with Mr. Kipps. Here I heard very good Musique, the first time that I remember ever to have heard the Organs and singing-men in Surplices in my life. The Bishop of Chichester preached before the King and made a great flattering sermon, which I did not like that clergy should meddle with matters of state. Dined with Mr. Luellin and Salsbury at a cook's shop. Home, and stayed all the afternoon with my wife till after sermon; there till Mr. Fairebrother came to call us out to my father's to supper. He told me how he had perfectly procured me to be made Maister in arts by proxy – which did somewhat please me, though I remember my Cosen Rogr. Pepys was the other day dissuading me from it. While we were at supper came W. Howe to supper to us. And after supper went home to bed.

9. To the Navy Office, where in the afternoon we met and sat; and there I begun to sign bills in the office the first time. From thence Capt. Holland and Mr. Browne of Harwich took me to a tavern and did give me a collacion.