

church, where we took another view of the place where we had resolved to build a gallery; and have set men about doing it. Home to dinner; and there I find that my wife hath discovered my boy's theft and a great deal more then we imagined. At which I was vexed and entend to put him away. To my office at Privy Seale in the afternoon; and from thence at night to the Bull head with Mount, Luellin and others; and thence to my father's; and he being at my uncle Fenner's, I went thither to him, and there sent for my boy's father and talked with him about his son and had his promise that if I will send home his boy, he will take him notwithstanding his indentures. Home at night; and find that my wife hath found out more, of the boy's stealing 6s. out of W. Ewres closet and hid it in the house of office – at which my heart was troubled. To bed and caused the boy's clothes to be brought up to my chamber. But after we were all a-bed, the wench (which lies in our chamber) called us to listen of a sudden; which put my wife into such a fright that she shook, every joyn of her, and a long time that I could not get her out of it. That noise was the boy, we did believe, was got in a desperate mood out of his bed to do himself or Wm.¹ some mischief. But the wench went down and got a candle lighted; and finding the boy in bed and locking the doors fast, with a candle burning all night, we slept well, but with a great deal of fear.

31. Early to wait upon my Lord at Whitehall; and with him to the Duke's chamber. So to my office in Seething lane. Dined at home; and after dinner to my Lord again; who told me that he is ordered to go suddenly to sea,² and did give me some orders to be drawing upon against his going. This afternoon I agreed to let my house quite out of my hands to Mr. Dalton (of the wine-cellar to the King, with whom I have drunk in the old wine-cellar two or three times) for 41l. At night, made up even at Privy Seale for this month against tomorrow to give up possession, and so home and to bed. Blessed be God all things continue well with and for me; I pray God fit me for a change of my fortune.

1. Will Hewer.

2. To bring over the Princess Royal from Holland.