

mast-Docke; and so to Deptford to the Globe, where my Lord Brunkard, Sir J. Mennes, Sir W. Batten, and Comissioner Pett were at dinner, having been at the Breach also – but they find it will be of too great charge to make use of it. After dinner to Mr. Evelings; he being abroad, we walked in his garden, and a lovely noble ground he hath ended. And among other rarities, a hive of Bees; so, as being hived in glass, you may see the Bees making their honey and Combs mighty pleasantly. Thence home, and I by and by to Mr. Povy's to see him, who is yet in his chamber, not well. And thence by his advice to one Lovetts, a Varnisher, to see his manner of new varnish, but found not him at home; but his wife a very beautiful woman, who showed me much variety of admirable work; and is in order to my having of some papers fitted with lines, for my use for Tables and the like. I know not whether I was more pleased with the thing, or that I was showed it by her. But resolved I am to have some made. So home to my office late, and then to supper and to bed. My wife tells me that she hears that my poor aunt James hath had her breast cut off here in town – her breast having long been out of order. This day, after I had suffered my own hayre to grow long, in order to wearing it, I find the convenience of Perrywiggs is so great, that I have cut off all short again, and will keep to periwiggs.

7. *Lords day.* Up, and to church with my wife. Home and dined. After dinner came Mr. Andrews; and spent the afternoon with me about our Tanger business of the victuals and then parted. And after sermon comes Mr. Hill and a gentleman, a friend of his, one Mr. Scott, that sings well also; and then comes Mr. Andrews, and we all sung and supped; and then to sing again, and passed the Sunday very pleasantly and soberly; and so I to my office a little, and then home to prayers and to bed. Yesterday begun my wife to learn to Limb of one Browne, which Mr. Hill helps her to. And by her beginning, upon some eyes, I think she will [do] very fine things – and I shall take great delight in it.

9. Up betimes, and to my business at the office, where all the morning. At noon comes Mrs. The[oph]. Turner and dines with us. And my wife's painting-maister stayed and dined, and I take great pleasure in thinking that my wife will really come to something in that business. Here dined also Luellin. So after dinner to the office and there very busy till almost midnight, and so home