

liable to be robbed. And these dogs are set out every night and called together in every morning by a man with a horne, and they go in very orderly.

27. *Lords day.* Rose betimes, and to my office till church-time to write two copies of my Will fair, bearing date this day. Wherein I have given my sister Pall 500l – my father, for his own and my mother's support, 2000l – to my wife, the rest of my estate; but to have 2500l secured to her though, by deducting out of what I have given my father and my sister. I despatched all before church-time, and then home and to church, my wife with me. Thence home to dinner, whither came my uncle Wight and aunt and uncle Norbury – and Mr. Sheply. A good dinner, and very merry. After dinner we broke up, and I by water to Westminster to Mrs. Martin's and there sat with her and her husband and Mrs. Burrows, the pretty, an hour or two; then to the Swan a while; and so home by water, and with my wife by and by, by water as low as Greenwich for ayre only; and so back again home to supper and to bed with great pleasure.

29. *King's Birth and Restauration day.* Waked with the ringing of the bells all over the town. So up before 5 a-clock, and to the office, where we met; and I all the morning with great trouble upon my spirit to think how I should come off in the afternoon when Sir W. Coventry did go to the Victualling Office to see the state of matters there. And methought, by his doing of it without speaking to me, and only with Sir W. Penn, it must be of design to find my negligence. However, at noon I did, upon a small invitation of Sir W. Pen's go and dine with Sir W. Coventry at his office, where great good cheer – and many pleasant stories of Sir W. Coventry, but I had no pleasure in them. However, I had last night and this morning made myself a little able to report how matters were – and did readily go with them after dinner to the Victualling Office; and there beyond belief did acquit myself very well, to full content. Being broke up there, I with a merry heart home to my office; and thither my wife comes to me to tell me that if I would see the handsomest woman in England, I shall come home presently; and who should it be but the pretty lady of our parish that did heretofore sit on the other side of our church over against our gallery, that is since married. She, with Mrs. Anne Jones, one of this parish that dances finely, did come to see her this afternoon. And so I home, and there found Creed also come to me; so there I spent most of the