

our door; which, and some other pleasant simplicities of the fellow, did give occasion to us to call him Sir Martin Marr-all;¹ and W. Hewers being his helper and counsellor, we did call him all this journey, Mr. Warner, which did give us good occasion of mirth now and then. At last rose, and up and broke our fast, and then took coach and away; and at Newport did call on Mr. Louther, and he and his friend and the maister of the house, their friend where they were (a gentleman), did presently get a-horseback and overtook us, and went with us to Audly end and did go along with us all over the house and garden; and mighty merry we were. The house ended doth appear very fine, but not so fine as it hath heretofore to me. Perticularly, the ceilings are not so good as I alway took them to be, being nothing so well wrought as my Lord Chancellors are; and though the figure of the house without be very extraordinary good, yet the stayrecase is exceeding poor; and a great many pictures, and not one good one in the house but one of Harry the 8th done by Holben; and not one good suit of hangings in all the house, but all most ancient things, such as I would not give the hanging-up of in my house; and the other furniture, beds and other things, accordingly. Only, the gallery is good; and above all things, the cellars, where we went down and drank of much good liquor, and ended the cellars are fine; and here my wife and I did sing to my great content, and then to the garden and there eat many grapes, and took some with us; and so away thence, exceeding well satisfied, though not to that degree that by my old esteem of the house I ought and did expect to have done – the situation of it not pleasing me. Here we parted with Louther and his friends, and away to Cambrige, it being foul, rainy weather; and there did take up at the Rose, for the sake of Mrs. Dorothy Drawwater, the vintener's daughter, which is mentioned in the play of *Sir Martin Marr-all*. Here we had a good chamber and bespoke a good supper; and then I took my wife and W. Hewer and Willett (it holding up a little) and showed them Trinity College and St. Johns Library, and went to King's College chapel to see the outside of it only, and so to our Inne; and with much pleasure did this, they walking in their pretty morning gowns, very handsome, and I proud to find myself in condition to do this; and so home to our lodging, and there by and by to supper with much good sport, talking with the drawers concerning matters of the town and persons whom I remember;

1. From the character in Dryden's play of that name.