

Crew and my Lord are likely to be great men, at which I was very glad. After dinner there was many secluded members come in to Mr. Crew; which, it being the Lord's day, did make Mr. Moore believe that there was something extraordinary in the business. Hence home and brought my wife to Mr. Messums to hear him. And indeed he made a very good sermon; but only, too eloquent for a pulpit. After sermon, to my father's and fell in discourse concerning our going to Cambrige the next week with my Brother John.

20. In the morning at my lute. Then to my office, where my partener and I made even our balance. Took him home to dinner with me, where my Brother John came to dine with me. After dinner I took him to my study at home and at my Lord's, and gave him some books and other things against his going to Cambrige. After he was gone, I went forth to Westminster hall, where I met with Chetwind, Simons and Gregory; and with them to Marshes at Whitehall to drink, and stayed there a pretty while reading a pamphlet, well-writ and directed to Gen. Monke in praise of the form of Monarchy which was settled here before the Warrs. In the evening Simons and I to the Coffee Clubb, where nothing to do. After a small debate upon the Question whether learned or unlearned subjects are the best, the club broke off very poorly, and I do not think they will meet any more. Hence with Vines &c to Wills; and after a pot or two, home; and so to bed.

21. In the morning, going out, I saw many soldiers going toward Westminster; and was tol[d] that they were going to admit the secluded members again. So I to Westminster hall, and in Chancery row I saw about 20 of them, who had been at Whitehall with gen. Monke, who came thither this morning and made a speech to them and recommended to them a commonwealth, and against Ch. Stuart. They came to the House and went in one after another, and at last the Speaker came. But it is very strange that this could be carried so private, that the other members of the House heard nothing of all this till they found them in the House, insomuch that the soldiers that stood there to let in the secluded members, they took for such as they had ordered to stand there to hinder their coming in. Mr. Prin came with an old basket-hilt sword on, and had a great many great shouts upon his going into the hall. They sat till noon, and at their coming out Mr. Crew saw me and bid me