

joy. Which did give me and my wife some content and satisfaccion. So by coach home and to bed.

13. Early going to my Lord's, I met with Mr. Moore (who was going to my house; and ended I find to be a most careful, painful, and able man in business) and took him by water to the Wardrobe and showed him all the house; and ended there is a great deal of roome in it – but very ugly till my Lord hath bestowed great cost upon it. So to the Exchequer and there took Spicer and his fellow Clarke to the Dogg taverne and did give them a peck of oysters; and so home to dinner. Where I find my wife making of pyes and tarts to try her oven with (which she hath never yet done); but not knowing the nature of it, did heat it too hot and so did a little overbake her things, but knows how to do better another time. At home all the afternoon. At night made up my accounts of my Sea expences in order to my clearing of my imprest bill of 30*l* which I had in my hands at the beginning of my voyage – which I intend to show to my Lord tomorrow. To bed.

14. *Office day.* To the office till late at night; and so Sir W. Pen, the Comptroller and I to the Dolphin, where we found Sir W. Batten (who is seldom a night from hence); and there we did drink a great Quantity of Sack. And did tell many merry stories, and in good humours we were all. So home and to bed.

15. To Westminster, and it being very cold upon the Water, I went all alone to the Sun and drank a draught of mulled White wine. To my Lord's – where I found my Lord within and stayed hearing him and Mr. Childe playing upon my Lord's new Organ – the first time I ever heard it. My Lord did this day show me the Kings picture which was done in Flanders, that the King did promise my Lord before he ever saw him and that we did expect to have had at sea before the King came to us. But it came but today. And ended it is the most pleasant and the most like him that ever I saw picture in my life.¹ As dinner was coming to table, my wife came hither and I got her carried into my Lady (who took phisique today and was just now hiring of a French maid that was with her, and could not understand one another till my wife came to interpret): here I did leave my wife to dine with my Lord (the first time that ever he

1. Reproduced below, plate 10.