

of Woolwich, which mads them. And so back home to supper and to bed.

16. *Lords day.* My wife and I at church, our pew filled (which vexed me at her confidence) with Mrs. Backwell and six more that she brought with her. Dined at home, and W. Batelier with us, and I all the afternoon drawing up a foul draft of my petition to the Duke of York about my eyes, for leave to spend three or four months out of the office, drawing it so as to give occasion to a voyage abroad; which I did to my pretty good liking. And then with my wife to Hyde park, where a good deal of company, and good weather; and so home to supper and to bed.

19. With my coach to St. James, and there, finding the Duke of York gone to muster his men in Hyde park, I alone with my boy thither; and there saw more, walking out of my coach as other gentlemen did, of a soldier's trade then ever I did in my life – the men being mighty fine, and their commanders, perticularly the Duke of Monmouth; but methought their trade but very easy, as to the mustering of their men, and the men but indifferently ready to perform what was commanded in the handling their arms. Here news was first talked of Harry Killigrews' being wounded in nine places last night by footmen in the highway, going from the park in a hackney coach toward Hammersmith to his house at Turnam greene – they being supposed to be my Lady Shrewsbury's men – she being by in her coach with six horses. Upon an old grudge, of his saying openly that he had lain with her. Thence by and by to Whitehall, and there I waited upon the King and Queen all dinner-time in the Queen's lodgings, she being in her white pinner and apern, like a woman with child; and she seemed handsomer, plain so, then dressed. And by and by, dinner done, I out and to walk in the Gallery for the Duke of York's coming out; and there meeting Mr. May, he took me down about 4 a-clock to Mr. Chevins's lodgings, and all alone did get me a dish of cold chickens and good wine, and I dined like a prince, being before very hungry and empty. By and by the Duke of York comes, and readily took me to his closet and received my petition, and discoursed it about my eyes and pitied me, and with much kindness did give me his consent to be absent, and approved of my proposition to go into Holland to observe things there of the Navy, but would first ask the King's leave; which he anon did, and did tell me that the King would be