

had our bed set up in our room that we called the Nursery, where we lay; and I am very much pleased with the room.

30. *Lords day*. After dinner, Sir Wms both and I by water to Whitehall; where having walked up and down, at last met with the Duke of Yorke according to an order sent us yesterday from him, to give him an account where the fault lay in the not sending out of the ships. Which we find to be only the wind hath been against them, and so they could not get out of the River. Hence I to Grayes Inn walk all alone; and with great pleasure seeing the fine ladies walk there – myself humming to myself (which nowadays is my constant practice since I begun to learn to sing) the *trillo*; and find by use that it doth come upon me. Home, very weary, and to bed – finding my wife not sick but yet out of order, that I fear she will come to be sick. This day the Portuguese Ambassador came to Whitehall to take leave of the King, he being now going to end all with the Queene and to send her over.

The weather now very fair and pleasant, but very hot. My father gone to Brampton to see my Uncle Robt., not knowing whether to find him dead or alive. Myself, lately under a great expense of money upon myself in clothes and other things; but I hope to make it up this summer, by my having to do in getting things ready to send with the next fleet for the Queene. Myself in good health; but mighty apt to take cold, so that this hot weather I am fain to wear a cloth before my belly.

✱ JULY ✱

2. To Westminster hall and there walked up and down, it being term-time. Spoke with several; among others, my Cosen Rogr. Pepys, who was going up to the parliament-house and enquired whether I had heard from my father since he went to Brampton – which I had done yesterday, who writes that my uncle is by fits stupid and like a man that is drunk, and sometimes speechless. Home; and after my singing master had done and took Coach and went to Sir Wm. Davenant's opera – this being the fourth day that it hath begun, and the first that I have seen it. Today was acted the second part of *The Siege of Rhodes*. The King being come, the Scene opened; which ended is very fine and magnificent, and well acted,