

being up, I went home and put on my gray cloth suit and faced white coate, made of one of my wife's pettycoates – the first time that I have had it on. And so, in a riding garbe, back again and spoke with Mr. Shaw at the Aldermans; who offers me 300l, if my Lord pleases, to buy cloth with¹ – which pleased me well. So to the Wardrobe and got my Lord to order Mr. Creed to imprest so much upon me, to be paid by Ald. Backwell. So with my Lord to Whitehall by water. And he having taken leave of the King, comes to us at his lodgeings and from thence goes to the garden Staires and there takes barge. And at the stairs was met by Sir R. Slingsby, who there took his leave of my Lord; and I heard my Lord thank him for his kindness to me, which Sir Robert answered much to my advantage. I went down with my Lord in the barge to Deptford; and there went on board the Duch yacht and stayed there a good while, W. Howe not being come with my Lord's things, which made my Lord angry. By and by he comes and so we set sayle; and anon went to dinner. My Lord and we very merry. And after dinner I went down below and there sang and took leave of W. Howe, Capt. Rolt, and the rest of my friends; then went up and took leave of my Lord, who gave me his hand and parted with great respect. So went, and Capt. Ferrers with me, into our wherry. And my Lord did give five guns, all they had charged, which was the greatest respect my Lord could do me and of which I was not a little proud. So with a sad and merry heart I left them, sailing pleasantly from Erith, hoping to be in the Downes tomorrow earely. We toward London in our boat. Pulled off our Stockings and bathed our legs a great while in the River – which I had not done some years before.

14. To Whitehall to my Lord's. Where I find Mr. Edwd. Mountagu and his family come to lie during my Lord's absence. I sent to my house, by my Lord's order, his shipp[-model] and Triangle virginall. So to my father's and did give him order about the buying of this cloth to send to my Lord. But I could not stay with him myself; for having got a great cold by my playing the foole in the water yesterday, I was in great pain and so went home by coach to bed, and went not to the office at all. And by keeping myself warme, I broke wind and so came to some ease. Rise and eat some supper and so to bed again.

1. A gift from the King to the Bey of Algiers.