Thus the procession set out, in great state. From Sunguvār's godown, in the bazaar road, up to the town-gate, soldiers were disposed in two ranks, and between these Nawāb Mahfuẓ Khān was carried. As soon as he had passed through the gate, the Governor took leave of him, and halted. At the moment that they had bid each other farewell, twenty-one guns were fired from the ramparts. Beyond the town-gate, soldiers were drawn up, on either side of the path, as far as the moat, and Mahé sepoys lined the glacis. After taking leave, the Nawāb was carried through these lines of soldiers. I went on in front, and stood at the entrance to the tent which was pitched beyond the moat. When Mahfuẓ Khān passed by, I stepped forward, and bade him farewell. The Governor ascended the rampart overlooking the moat, and stood watching Mahfuẓ Khān, until he had passed beyond my garden-house; and when the Nawāb was out of sight, he returned home. Muḥammad Tavakkal, too, followed in the train of Mahfuẓ Khān, but I invited him to stay. My object in doing this was to give him, before sending him away, some presents, for he had exerted himself in bringing about the agreement, and had received no gifts, or other recompense.

The presents which were given to His Highness Nawāb Mahfuẓ Khān were as follows:

2 Large mirrors.
1 Clock, in a case.

2 Large silver-mounted guns.
2 Large brass-mounted guns.
2 Double-barrelled guns.
4 Silver-mounted pistols.
4 Brass-mounted pistols.
160 Yards of red velvet.
87 Rolls of brocade, embroidered with flowers in gold thread.
10 Rolls of English broad-cloth.
10 Rolls of French broad-cloth.
18 Flasks of rose-water.
2 "China boxes," containing various curious devices and designs in fireworks.
10 Carpets of broad-cloth, embroidered with gold lace.
140 Wax candles.
6 Glass candle-shades.
10 Telescopes, small.
1 Telescope, large.
1 Roll of broad-cloth, of different colour on either side.
290 lbs. of sugar-candy.
1 Piece of gold galloon, manufactured at Ispahan, weighing 10 marcs, 1 oz.
1 Piece of silver galloon, manufactured at Ispahan, weighing 4 marcs, 4 oz.
1 Piece of gold French galloon, weighing 15 marcs, 4 oz.
1 Piece of silver French galloon, weighing 9 marcs, 4 oz.
12 Table knives.
7 Small mirrors.
24 Flasks balm cordial.
24 Flasks Imperial water.

* It cannot exactly be ascertained what these were. They were apparently boxes of fireworks, and were spoken of as "designs in fire." The words within quotation marks are a literal translation of the original.
24 Flasks of Hungary water.
1 Calf elephant.
1 Musical box.
1 Table knife, with handle inlaid with gold.
1 Hookah stopper, all gold.

Total articles, valued at * 800 pagodas.

The presents given to Nazim 'Ali Khan, the younger brother of Nawab Mahfuz Khan, were:

1 Double-barrelled gun.
1 Mule.
8 Table knives.
17 Yards of red velvet.
12 Rolls of brocade, with flowers worked in gold.
1 Piece of silver galloon, weighing 4 mares.
4 Carpets of broad-cloth, embroidered with gold lace.
1 "China box" containing curious devices in fireworks.
15 Yards of green velvet.
2 Rolls of broad-cloth.
1 Piece of gold French galloon, weighing 7 mares.
1 Piece of galloon, manufactured at Isphahan, weighing 2 mares, 4 oz.

Total articles, valued at * 800 pagodas.

This was how the presents were distributed. Having accepted them, and having arrived at a perfect agreement, the visitors departed at 4, this afternoon.

As His Highness Nawab Mahfuz Khan was returning, this evening, to his camp, he met, on the way, some messengers, who handed to him a letter addressed to him by Muhammad 'Ali Khan. Having read this, he sent it on to the Governor by the men who brought it to him; one of his mace-bearers being deputed to accompany them. The contents of the letter were: "I have recovered from my illness, and am somewhat relieved of the tooth-ache from which I was suffering. But as for you, you went to your brother's house, and remained there these two days enjoying yourself in feasting, and spending your time in various amusements. Two letters have arrived here from the ruling Nawab at Arcot; one addressed to you, and the other to me. Both of these direct us to return immediately." Having read the letter, the Governor sent it back by the messengers who brought it, with a complimentary one from himself, addressed to Mahfuz Khan. The men were also presented with Rs. 5.

What remained over from the dinner which was prepared for Mahfuz Khan, before he set out from Pondicherry, was sufficient in quantity to provide for a hundred people. It was sent to Nasir Quli Khan.

Tuesday, 21st February 1747, or 13th Masi of Akshaya.—This morning, M. Delarche and Muhammad Tavakkal were sent to invite Muhammad 'Ali, to come to Pondicherry. They set out at 5, and reached the camp, at half-past 9. They had an audience with Muhammad 'Ali, to whom they communicated the invitation. His verbal and written replies were received here, at 4. They were to the effect that he was tormented by tooth-ache, and...