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No. 139. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of M. Police; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 21st January 1863, No. 163.

General Department.

On first amalgamating the different *Sibbandi* Corps with the Police of their respective Districts, as a Constabulary Reserve, some of the old Military designations of different ranks were temporarily continued.

Sirdars.
Jemadars.
Havildars.
Naigues.

2. It was deemed desirable to make as little change as possible in the existing state of matters until the new system and the nature of the change were fully understood; until arrangements were complete as regarded the Police of the District in which *Sibbandi* Corps were present and the transition state had been got over.

3. The Military names thus temporarily allowed are no longer desirable. The new Police system is every where complete, and now there is no danger of the change being misunderstood.

4. These distinctions in regard to names complicate all accounts, make the Budget more bulky and unintelligible than need be. And when the General Police and Reserve are employed on one and the same duty as they always are, indiscriminately, these different names tend to keep up a feeling of difference and separation amongst the men.

5. The pay and grades of the Service, General Constabulary and Reserve, were assimilated in all respects at the time of amalgamation. In most Districts the men are now dressed in the same costume as the Constabulary. In all Districts the Police dress is issued as the old *Sibbandi* uniforms are worn out.

6. I beg therefore the instruction of Government to alter Military names of *Sirdar*, *Jemadar*, *Havildar* and *Naigues* into those of Inspectors, Head Constables, Deputy Head Constables and Constables as in the General Constabulary.

No. 140. ORDER THEREON, 19th February 1863, No. 259.

His Excellency the Governor in Council approves of the proposal to extend the ordinary designations of the several ranks of the Constabulary to those armed Reserves in which the old titles in use in the late Sibbandi Corps have hitherto been kept up.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. McMootry

Order — 19th February 1863 No 259.

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