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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 513 Press ~~Mis.~~

23-24

Dated 3 — 4 — 1860.

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The Board think it right to submit the above letter for the orders of Government though they presume that the principle laid down in the Order quoted by the Collector is to be followed in commutations of the Quit-rent payable on tenements within the walls of Black Town.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 24. ORDER THEREON, 3rd April 1860, No. 513.

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No. 1499.

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To

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Copy to Collector of Madras.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Board of Revenue

Dated 24th
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No. 513. 3d April

Submitting for orders with the Board's observations a letter from the Collector of Madras requesting instructions as to the rate at which the Fee Simple is to be purchased within the limits of Town where the Quit rent is calculated on the estimated value of the premises.

Note. An order

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Fort St. George
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