

No. 4.

Despatch respecting contribution towards the Eastern Mail Service.

*Presented to the Legislative Council by Command of
His Excellency the Governor.*

The Earl of Derby to Governor Sir G. F. Bowen.

(Copy.)
HONGKONG,
No. 180.

DOWNING STREET,
1st August, 1884.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 218 of the 13th ultimo, and to express my satisfaction that your Government approves of the arrangements made, and has voted the money necessary to cover the increase in the contribution of the Colony on account of the Eastern Mail Service, from the 1st of February, 1883.

You will learn from my Despatch No. 174 of the 25th instant, that the Postal contribution is open to revision at the end of the present contract.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) DERBY.

Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.,

&c., &c., &c.