

## ASTORS SAIL FOR EGYPT

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#### Count Montgelas Much in Evidence at Departure

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Among the many friends who braved the chill winds of the White Star docks yesterday morning to bid Colonel John Jacob Astor and his wife goodbye none was more in evidence than Count Alfred Montgelas, of Berlin, who played a similar role for the benefit of Miss Nancy Leishman, when the Olympic last sailed from these shores. When Mrs. Force had bid her daughter "bon voyage" and retired down the gangplank he bowed with courtly ceremony over Mrs. Astor's gloved hand, kissed it and went ashore also. Hardly had he arrived there when he remembered another word of parting which he had omitted to say. He dashed back again, said it, kissed the glove again, and again sought the pier.

The Astors are bound for Egypt on account of Mrs. Astor's health. A special train will carry them across France and the Cunarder Franconia will take them from Villefranche to Alexandria, where a dahabeah has been chartered for the trip up the Nile.

Among the other passengers were the Rev. R. J. Campbell, of the City Temple, London, who said his greatest regret was at having to leave California, "the Paradise of earth"; J. Bruce Ismay, president of the International Mercantile Marine, who expressed himself as delighted with the behavior of the Olympic, and said he was coming back on the new liner Titanic on her maiden trip; Domingo Merry del Val, brother of the Pope's secretary, returning after ten years of engineering work in Chili; Mrs. James A. Burden, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitney and John Wanamaker, jr.

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