TAKEN OFF AT HALIFAX

8 Revolutionists Who Sailed for Russia from New York

New York, April 10.—Leon Trotzky, Russian journalist and one of the leaders of the revolutionary movement of 1905, who sailed from New York

for Russia on March 27 to take part in the new regime, was taken, with

seven of his followers, from the steamer at Halifax at the direction of the British authorities and placed

one of the prisoners wrote to a

friend in New York who gave out the letter for publication yesterday. The Novy Mir, a Russian newspaper pub-

lished at 77 St. Marks Place, to which Trotzky contributed while in this country has made an unsuccessful at-

tempt to get into telegraphic communication with the journalist. Last night the Novy Mir cabled to the Rus-

sian Minister of Justice invoking his aid in freeing the imprisoned men.

The letter said in part:
"The British military authorities found that we, a group of Russian Socialists, are very dangerous for the

cause of the Allies. They took us off the ship and sent us to the internment camp at Amherst, Nova Scotia, where war prisoners are held. We

where war prisoners are held. We protested and refused to leave the ship, but they carried us out by force."