

THE SALE OF A WIFE.

A Case That Has Traveled from Pound Ridge to the Poorhouse.

Our readers will remember the story of a wife who was sold a year or so ago, by her husband Edward Yerks, to a man named Simmons, who was a farm laborer for a small sum. Both men lived near Pound Ridge, and the transaction was made with the consent of the woman, who was the daughter of Mrs. John Williams, a poor woman of North Tarrytown. Mr. Simmons moved from Pound Ridge with his new acquisition, and lived for a while at Bedford Station, then at Mount Kisco for a few months, then back to Bedford station, where it is said they slept and kept house in an old railroad freight car at the depot, and then they drifted to parts unknown. She gave birth to a child last spring, during their frequent movings from one place to another. Last week she turned up at North Tarrytown, where she had been brought from the County Almshouse, and charged with vagrancy. She told her pitiful story, and said her husband had sold her to Simmons for \$1.50. She was committed to the House of Refuge for Women, at Hudson.

The case is a sad one of low life and depravity right in the midst of the boasted nineteenth century civilization. There seems to be quite a good deal of missionary work at home that ought to be done before the foreign field is cultivated.—Mount Kisco Recorder.