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East River Shirt

Jan. 12th, 1914.

Mrs. Orenstein.

Mrs. Marie Beriola is a young beautiful married woman of nineteen. She and her husband came to this country three months ago, having sold out a saloon business in Italy. They expected to be able to make a good living in the new land. As a matter of fact, Beriola has not worked since he has been here. In spite of the fact that Marie expects a child within a month, she is operating a sewing machine. With the landlord's threat of being dispossessed for three months arrears in rent, Marie asked a friend of hers to take her to her shop. For one week she worked with no compensation; second week her friend paid her \$2.00, and now she is on piece basis and does not know what her wages amount to. Neither she nor her husband have relatives in this country, and friends are such as they have acquired.