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AMY CLAUSEN IS INDIGNANT OVER CHARGE OF BIGAMY

Actress Says Hewey Offered
Proof That Her First Husband
Was Dead.

ADMITS HER SECOND MARRIAGE.

Refused to Live With Hewey After the
Wedding and Declares That Is the
Cause of Her Arrest.

Mrs. Amy Elizabeth Patterson, a pretty blonde actress, whose stage name is Amy Clausen, of the Clausen sisters, well known in burlesque circles of stage life, who was arrested by headquarters detectives in Rochester, Wednesday night, was arraigned before Magistrate Steers in the Manhattan avenue police court this morning and held in \$500 bail for examination on October 31, on a charge of bigamy.

Mrs. Patterson, or Clausen, was very indignant over her arrest, and while she admitted that she had been married to another man while her first husband was living, she said her arrest had been caused by her second husband, who was angry because she refused to live with him.

Mrs. Patterson was married to David B. Castle, a pilot, of 338 East Fifty-sixth street, Manhattan, on November 15, 1899. She met Castle while he was first mate on the steamer Tallahassee. She said she was a passenger on that steamer from Savannah to New York about a year ago. While the steamer had covered only a small part of its journey, her mother, with whom she was traveling, was taken suddenly ill, and she was left alone on the steamer. She became very friendly with Castle and they were together a good deal during the remainder of the trip. When the steamer reached New York, the woman was still kept up and after a short courtship, Castle proposed marriage and was accepted by Miss Clausen. She said in court this morning that Castle was very cruel to her after they were married and that she lived with him only one week.

Mrs. Castle then went on the stage, playing with a burlesque company, and for a year. In 1901, while she was a member of a chorus in a burlesque company, playing at one of the local theaters, she became acquainted with Charles H. Hewey, of 325 Madison avenue, who was only 17 years old. She says Mr. Hewey, too, proposed marriage to her. She said he told her that her first husband was dead and that he should not tell others of his story. When she became satisfied that her first husband was dead, she consented to be married to Mr. Hewey. She says she has never lived with Hewey after their marriage, but gave no reason for not doing so. She said it was because she still refused to live with him that she has had her arrest on the charge of bigamy.

Mrs. Patterson's lawyer was in court and she did not say anything whatever of her daughter's first marriage. Magistrate Steers told the woman that, as she admitted marrying Mr. Castle while her first husband was alive, he would have to hold her for further examination. The case will come up on October 31.

Neither Castle nor Mr. Hewey was in court this morning. Mrs. Patterson was but 17 years old at the time of her first marriage. She says that Castle tore up her clothes and did other things to her which caused them to separate.

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