THE STOTSENBURG FUND.

It is noticed with pleasure that the Courier has started a Stotsenberg fund for the widow of the deceased. Every loyal student and professor of the university should help along this cause. The last issue of the Courier contained triumvirate" Louis James, Kathryn the following:

there would have been no need of a cent revival of Shaqespeare's "The Stotsenburg fund. No man in the army Winter's Tale" which hasn't been athad a brighter or more assured future tempted in this country since Mary than Colonel Stotsenburg and when Anderson,s revival at Palmer's theater the war, which he entered as a cap-eleven years ago. Wagenhaus and tain, was over, he would have been a Kemper have given the comedy one of general. He would not have asked the most sumptuous settings of any anything of Nebraska, but if he had shakespearean revival in recen, years. come home with the First, in the A corps of artists were employed on gladness of the return of the volun- the production from May until Septeers and the rejoicing over their glor- tember. The models were aken from ious record, their colonel would have the most authentic Greek sources, and received a hero's share of gratitude from designs by Abbey, and were and same, which would have had as painted by Bradley and Corbect. The immediate effect upon the war depart- production is embellished with costly ment as in the case of General Funston. Grecian antiquities and all the elabo-But Colonel Stotsenburg did his duty rate draperies, properties and furnifirst always. When he was ordered to ture are carried by the management. take out from the men's pay enough to The costumes are from Herrmann from pay for the cook's services and for the from designs by Anderson. Miss Kidstores stolen during the voyage across der will be seen in the dual roles of the ocean, he tried insofar as an in- Hermione and Per...ita the characters ferior officer might, to alter the decis- in which Mary Anderson made her ion. Failing, he enforced the order as farewell appearances on the stage. Mr. though he approved it. He realized James will have a congenial part in that it would make him unpopular with Autolycus and Mr. Hanford will be the volunteers but he did his duty then, the King Leontes. A company of exas, when standing under shelter be ceptional ability surrounds the stars. hind the rice fields at Quingua where It numbers people who unite reputathe Nebraska boys lay in the trenches tion and a capacity for artistic accom he realized that the only way to get plishment for all they undertake. the soldiers out of the trap into which they had been led, was to order a charge. He himself tuen advanced over the fiera where the men crouched in the rice huts. As he leaped from hollow to hollow he was a conspicuous object, and besides the men cheered him. He fell with a bullet in his heart just as he reached the men and ordered a charge. He was late arriving. The attack was unexpected and Colonel Stotsenburg was off duty when the trouble occurred. When the men were once on their faces in that rice field the officers were uncertain as to how to get them out. A retreat would keep them in the line of fire longer than an advance but a retreat was about to be ordered when the Colonel of the First Nebraska reached the battle field. Without stopping he ordered up the big guns, glanced about, realized the greater loss of life should a retreat be ordered and, not crouching or stoop ing, ran on to the field himself. To save his own soldiers and to do his best as a soldier and an officer was all he thought of. It seems to me if the commonwealth of Nebraska fails to recognize the obligation that rests upon it because of this soldier's unhesitating, brave doing of his duty, we are lacking in the common, primary, vir-

"Mrs. Stotsenburg is an invalid. She has never recovered from the shock of her husband's death and from the strain of that long journey across the Pacific when she brought back to his country the man who had fought a good fight, who had been misunderstood and maligned but who lought just the same. Perhaps some who read these words may hesitate because of the participation in the early suspicions of Colonel Stotsenburg's just treatment of his troops. It is a long time now since those suspicions were proved unfounded. The man who suffered because of them is dead. As a state and as individuals we owe his widow and children support. We owe it to justice to right, as far as possible a wrong, and if we do not pay our debts we are bankrupt in conscience. No sum so small that it will not add to the Stotsenburg fund and to the number of contributors who

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