

DO IT FOR TRENTON.

For just fifty years the Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce have been serving the public of Trenton. At times the service may have seemed slight, and been unappreciated, but it has been given; and if the organization had done nothing but answer inquiries concerning local conditions and opportunities for securing factory sites, its existence was justified.

In celebration of its golden anniversary the Chamber of Commerce is now making a three days' drive for new members, and with such success yesterday as to warrant the prediction that the expectations of the leaders of the movement will be fully met. It should succeed. Every business man should be a member of the organization that is working for his benefit.

The financial support that will be obtained through a large membership will, of course, be appreciated, but it is the fact that the active businessmen of the city are interested in the work that will count. One of the best ways to "Do it for Trenton" is by becoming a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

True dignity is never gained by place, and never lost when honors are withdrawn.—Massinger.

USE FOR CROSSING PARK.

The suggestion that the land purchased for the Washington Crossing Park be used as the site for a new school and home for the deaf mutes, is a good one. For several years it has been realized that a change should be made, and proposed extensions to the plant on Hamilton Avenue have been held back awaiting action of the Legislature and an improvement in state finances.

Instead of selling the one-hundred-acre tract at the crossing the state ought to purchase more land, and it is understood that options have already been taken on farms adjoining the one which the Department of Conservation and Development desires to sell. Farm lands in Mercer County are not likely to be cheaper and the state will probably have use in future for several hundred acres.

Quite recently the state adopted the policy of leasing instead of selling its riparian lands. That policy should be consistently followed; and if it shall be decided to remove the Deaf Mute School to Washington's Crossing, advantage should be taken of the options on additional farms, and a tract secured that will afford abundant room for the school buildings and playground.

A farm and garden where the mutes may be given practical instruction is desirable, and the hundred acres which the Conservation and Development Department has been renting at the rate of a dollar per acre per year, will suffice for the present. The State Board of Education should consider the desirability of moving the Deaf Mute School to the historic spot on the Delaware.

Of all knowledge the wise and good seek most to know themselves.—Shakespeare.