

system of personal identification records and passports such as obtains in some parts of Europe would check this class of name changing. While such a system might be in many ways advantageous, as for example in putting some check on the criminal tramp, nothing is more certain than that it cannot be adopted or enforced at the present time.

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

The Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Quebec, Sir Francis Lemieux, in a recent case (*Belgo Canadian Pulp & Paper Co. v. Court of Sessions, etc., of Three Rivers*, 56 Que. S.C., at page 173), in which a company had its workmen employed on the Lord's Day, took the opportunity of reading a lesson to employers upon Sunday observance. He said, in part:—"Society generally is interested in the proper observance of Sunday. Workmen require, in order to fulfil their duties and perform their work, to follow the exercise of their religion, to receive instruction respecting moral and social Christianity. Workmen whose conscience is not strengthened by a religious ideal, bring less courage, honesty and loyalty to the accomplishment of their task. The undertaking will not be helped by workmen who violate the Divine precepts. A workman who is made irreligious or indifferent by being kept away from church and prevented from observing Sunday becomes an easy prey to agitators. Employers should understand that Sunday work is not profitable. The workman is an economic factor who produces only if he is conscientious. When corporations break laws which affect society generally, it is not surprising that agitations frequently arise against capital, and that subversive doctrines infest certain territories less religious than the Province of Quebec."

It is common knowledge that strikes are almost unknown in the Province of Quebec, and the religious aspect of the case, so clearly set out by the learned Chief Justice, has undoubtedly contributed very largely to the absence of that form of idleness which brings loss to employer and employee alike, and often without material benefit to either side.