# Cobeeling Daily Intelligener． 

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| THE INTELLIGFNCER． <br> The Virginia Legislature have exempted the firemen of Norfolk from ju：y duty． <br> Tue Louisiana Legislature has－passed an tret abolishing capital pumishment，and substitating imprisomment for life in place of the death pen－ alty． |  |
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| Ir is a much ensior tack to dig metal out of its native mine thau to get it out of the coretons man＇s coffer．Death ouly has the key of the misers chest． |  |
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| Questons and Axewracs，－In the correspon－ dence column of the last N．Y．Times and Mes－ senger，we find the following interesting ques－ tions and answers． |  |
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| tions and answers． <br> Query：－＂Is the style of manners exsentially different from what it was tive and twenty yeors |  |
| agu？For instance，lam walkigg with twive the dies，when a gentleman joins us who is acquaia－ ted with the ladite，but mot with me，engages in conversation，and，in fuer，makes himself one of the party．How would this be regarded by the ＇old school？＇ <br> Anxirer：－The manners of the present day， |  |
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| Anxirer：－The manners of the present day， in this latitude，partake largely of what would gredient of which is impudence；atd to that entegory belongs such a cave as that to which you refer．A quarter of a century agy，mo，gen－ |  |
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| body prevails；zood and bad ard freely nimitgled， and $n$ bold front is a sobatitute for the more substantin！qualities of grodness and intelit．gence．This contrast is not favorable to vorr own times． |  |
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| life seems to be imperfectly understond．Pril． marily，the piersons who congregate at bohrding： |  |
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| is at perfegt liberty to to sof but if she grows enthusiastic on the subject with a view of secn－ |  |
| ing an escort thereto，we have no doubt that the genteman is fully justified in bolding Amsserr fuluzerento the appeal． |  |
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| Query：－－＂I have had n dispute ahont the word puceut，when written on the back of a note．I contended that it signified and was |  |
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| ＂pre－sent，＂to otfer，or the act of presentig．－＂The other party held that it was＂pres ehr，＂ nol alisent．Piease give me the proper pronuth－ ciation，and why it is used？ |  |
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| －Antere－The word ix pronounced pree．ent， |  |
| used to signify that the note was sent by hand， and not by mail．At present it can scarcely bo said to poscess a more definite poperty than the comanor suflix＂Fiq．，＂nppented by courtesy |  |
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| to a gentlernan＇s name． <br> Query：－＂If n gentleman offars limself to a |  |
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| to give any，could it be conatrued as min insuit？＂ <br> Ansicer：－In all such uaters the lady is her <br>  |  |
| own judge，and to her sense of propicty you will lind it wise to defer．Her silenec may be kindly meant，and ain explanation would no |  |
| daubt ifen diseloke rensons for her refusal that withont reason farnished． |  |
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| Query－－A Aiterry friend asserss that there |  |
| is no such thing as aboolute origimality anti efore，all charges of plagiariom are alisurd． Anarer：－Your filend takes an extrene view of the matter．He might as＇well say there is no |  |
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| It is the isw of a man of genius to be original．He imitates hy nccilent，and horrows as the ex－ ception．The plagiarint stealk，as it were，for a living，and can never be honest or original， |  |
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