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ACROSS
1 The ------, Royal East Kent Regiment, formerly the Third Regiment of Foot (5)
4 Penny Black or Two Penny Blue, eg (5)
7 ------ centralis, a depression at the rear of the retina (5)
10 Conductor of the Halle Orchestra from 1943 to 1958 (3,4,10)
11 Cornish resort, the location of a branch of the Tate Gallery (2,4)
12 Wimbledon Ladies’ Singles champion in 1959, 1960 and 1964 (5,5)
14 London’s Victoria is 85 years old this year (5,7)
15 Circular tent of Mongolian nomads (4)
18 Nit-picking (8)
19 US holiday on the first Monday in September (5,3)
21 Greek hero in the Trojan War or an Amsterdam football team (4)
22 Scottish estuary in which Bass Rock, Cramond and Inchcolm are situated (5,2,5)
24 Apodemus sylvaticus (5,5)
25 See 23
28 Pre-Raphaelite artist who painted “Isabella and the Pot of Basil” (7,6,4)
29 Formula One champion in 1988, 1990 and 1991 (5)
30 An Arab chief or Moslem leader (5)
31 North Sea port in Lower Saxony on the river Ems (5)

DOWN
1 Thickets or small woods (5)
2 Portuguese navigator who was the first European to cross the Pacific Ocean (9,8)
3 Porcelain manufactured by an English potter, 1754-1827 (5,5)
4 George, pen-name of Amandine Dupin, the French novelist (4)
5 Greek maiden who lost to Hippomenes in the “golden apple” running race (8)
6 Speakers’ Corner performer (6,6)
7 Ukulele-playing slapstick filmstar who sang “When I’m Cleaning Windows” (6)
8 Influential avant-garde New York pop group, once managed by Andy Warhol in the 1960s (6,11)
9 Spanish friend (5)
13 Order of birds comprising the owls (12)
14 The dried oil-yielding kernel of the coconut (5)
16 “It’s a Mystery” pop-singer (5)
17 Meeting point of two rivers (10)
20 Instrument for examining the ear (8)
23, 25 Tory MP for South Derbyshire who resigned in 1988 (6,6)
24 Young deer (5)
26 ----- Hall, the Cheshire country seat of the Dukes of Westminster (5)
27 Major Siberian city and river port on the Trans-Siberian Railway (4)

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