MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD
No. 15,621 Set by FALCON

ACROSS
1 PA a chap uses in resort (10)
7 QC – sort after acquittals, ultimately (4)
9 Device used for raising a flag (4)
10 Put a magazine in suitcase - some boxers do (4,1,5)
11 Comprehensively beat famous racehorse backed (6)
12 Judge first half of recipe book (8)
13 Warning of critical situation altered, changed after last of thunder (3,5)
15 Elizabeth shortly to entertain any number in a place on the Danube (4)
17 Marathon: old record I start to challenge (4)
19 Boastful chap in card game having good skill (8)
22 Country holding alternative view (8)
23 Say no to litter (6)
25 Unusually large skate in five interconnected expanses of water (5,5)
26 Election over in Zimbabwe to validate (4)
27 Only a small expanse of standing water (4)
28 Best six now playing? Provide evidence here (7,3)

DOWN
2 Size of Maine by area, proven (7)
3 Exposed, a king in retreat, heading north (5)

A prize of The Good Word Guide by Martin Manser and How to Sound Clever by Hubert van den Bergh will be awarded for the first correct solution opened. Solutions by Wednesday August 16, marked Prize Crossword 15,621 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday August 21..

The winner’s name will be published in Weekend FT on August 19.