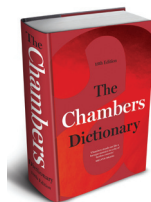
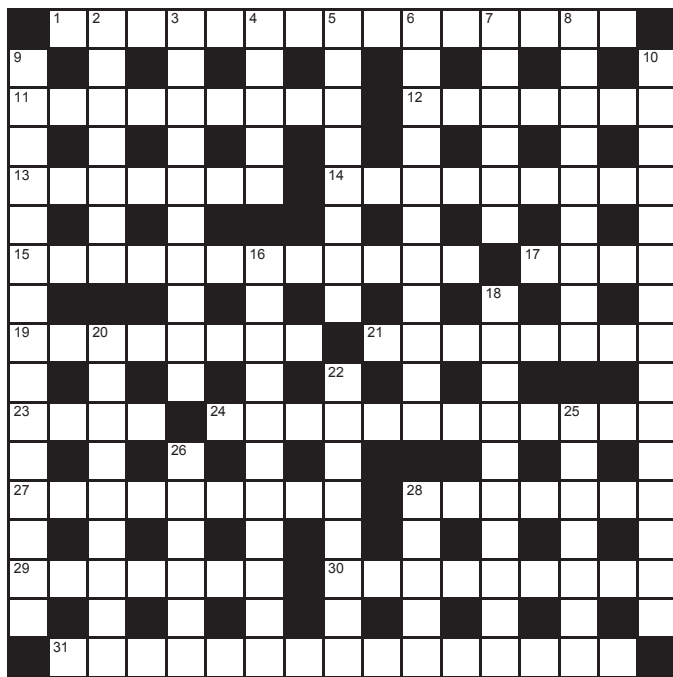


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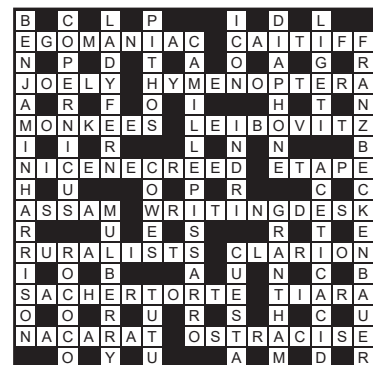
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- 1** Fortified building in Scotland, a royal residence until 1633 (9,6)
11 Lack of worry or interest (9)
12 Brightly coloured toadstool-shaped fungus (7)
13 Follower of John Wycliffe, 14th century religious reformer (7)
14 Stared at intently (9)
15 Dutch settlement established on Manhattan (3,9)
17 Child who is homeless and neglected (4)
19 Additional piece of information at bottom of page (8)
21 Frameworks of connective tissue (8)
23 Person from southern Nigeria or the language of this area (4)
24 Expression from Latin meaning before noon (4,8)
27 Breed of small dog originating from Mexico (9)
28 Draft of printed page with artwork etc stuck on to a sheet (5-2)
29 Showy worthless article (7)
30 Motor vehicle suitable for travelling on rough ground (4,5)
31 Museum near London's Covent Garden (6,9)

- 2** Village on A44 between Bromyard and Leominster (7)
3 Failure to discharge a debt (3-7)
4 Turn something on its head (5)
5 Breeding-place of some large white seabirds (8)
6 Fortification above village of the same name on Isle of Purbeck (5,6)
7 Move glidingly in an ostentatious way (6)
8 Capital of Slovenia (9)
9 Where "the girls are so pretty" according to the song (7,4,4)
10 Rugby union ground in a capital (7,4,4)
16 King of the 18th dynasty of Egypt from 1361 to 1352BC (11)
18 Series of drawings displaying humour (5,5)
20 Essential part in a musical score (9)
22 Of six times the usual number of chromosomes (8)
25 Of a lake, become frozen (3,4)
26 Deity personifying our source of light and heat (3-3)
28 US word for an edible pine seed (5)



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