## ACROSS

1 Extravagant revues created by US theatrical producer Florenz in 1907-31 $(8,7)$
9 Protozoan of everchanging shape (6)
10 Japanese car manufacturer with a 'three diamonds' logo (10)

11 Charles Kingsley novel or the only British place-name ending with an exclamation mark $(8,2)$
13 Fruit stewed in sugar or syrup (6)
14 Dogs, Grain, Sheppey or Walney? (4)
15 Group of museums, education and research centre in Washington DC, nicknamed the 'nation's attic' (11)
18 The last or worst shift $(3,5)$
19 Instrument for examining the ear (8)
21 French satirical novel about petty, parochial squabbling by Gabriel Chevallier, made into 1972 BBC drama (11)
23 Just a single partner of tatties at Burns Night! (4) 25 Capital city of Mali (6) 27 A South African plant of the banana family with large showy flowers (10) 28 Flag flown by auxiliary vessels of the Royal Navy (4,6)
30 The Great $\qquad$ 1925 novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald ( 0,6 ) 31 Cry raised on the Stock Exchange announcing a stranger has entered the ‘House’ (8,7)

1 "For example", in German $(3,8)$
2 Long, thin island in the Bahamas, noted for its pink sand beaches (9)
3 An uproar or a noisy quarrel (6)
4 A Scottish chimney (3) 5 Sir Topham Hatt in the Thomas the Tank Engine stories $(3,10)$
6 Cornish location of Castle Terabil in Arthurian romances (10)

7 Despotic third president of Uganda from 1971 to 1979 $(3,4)$
8 Yiddish for a dolt (5) 12 Former Scottish county where Annan, Lockerbie and Moffat are situated (13)
16 It provides difficult or impossible access for those retiring (5-3,3)
17 A round flat cap or a Scottish peasant (4-6)
20 Abusive nickname of the Roman general Quintus Fabius Maximus, gained for his delaying tactics against Hannibal (9)
22 Le .... d'If, setting for the Count of Monte Cristo (7)
24 Originally a clan war-cry, now a catchphrase (6)
26 Mick Whelan is General
Secretary of this train-drivers' union (5)
29 Stylised Japanese drama with music, dance and elaborate costumes (3)


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