POLYMATH 1,302 by AARDVARK

ACROSS

- World's first water-powered cotton-spinning factory (8,4)
 Gelling agent, prepared from seaweeds, used in bacteria culture, medicine, cookery etc
 (4)
- 11 Gun dog with long pendant ears, whose largest breed is the Clumber (7)
- 12 Intrepid female archaeologist in the video game franchise *Tomb Raider* (4.5)
- 13 ___ Craig, uninhabited granite islet in the Firth of Clyde, Scotland (5)
- **14** Blend of ground aromatic spices originating in India, used in curries, marinades, pickles etc (5.6)
- 15 Romanian-born French dramatist who exemplified the
- theatre of the absurd (7) **16** Small, heavy-bodied, short-tailed Old World game bird (9)
- 17 Mixture of mud and straw sun-dried into bricks used for building (5)
- **19** Yorkshire town used as the fictional place Hotten in the ITV soap *Emmerdale* (5)
- 21 Originally, the third of the seven canonical hours of the Divine Office (5)
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 23 Belgian breed of heavy,
- powerful draught horse (9) 26 Town in Boeotia, ancient
- Greece, renowned for the manufacture of terracotta
- figurines (7) **28** Drummer in the rock band
- Queen (5,6) **30** 'Red' ___, 1915-2004, Texan
- oil well firefighter (5)
- **31** Italian operatic baritone, 1913-84 (4,5)
- **32** Territory governed by a Muslim prayer leader (7)
- **33** Director of the 1927 science fiction film *Metropolis* (4)
- **34** US state whose capital city is Concord (3.9)

DOWN

segmented needle-like leaves, including the she-oak and beefwood (9)

1 Genus of trees with

- **2** Actor who played Dougal McGuire in the TV sitcom *Father Ted* (7)
- **3** Dish of stewed or fried pieces of meat and vegetables served in a thick white sauce
- **4** Of music, in a devotional manner (9)
- 5 Grinding back tooth with a broad crown (5)6 Historically, one who made
- the metal parts of a horse's harness (7)
- **8** Large fish-eating duck of Northern hemisphere lakes and rivers (9)
- 9 1980 single by the ska revival band The Specials (3,4)
 10 Jenny —, first woman to win the Perrier Award at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, in
- 1995 (6)
 16 Post, tower, etc at an aerodrome, used to guide pilots in flight (5)
 18 Reddish-brown arboreal
- anthropoid ape, found only in Sumatra and Borneo (5-4) **20** Soft, malleable, silvery
- metallic element, atomic number 70 (9)
- 21 Former Arsenal and England footballer who founded the charity Sporting Chance in 2000 (4,5)
- 22 French term meaning 'behind' or 'in the rear' (2,7)
- 23 Suburb of Rochester, Kent, which housed the UK's first juvenile prison (7)
- 24 Prominent northern constellation, between the Great Bear and Orion (6)
 25 Of wine, at, or brought to,
- room temperature (7)
 27 Standard monetary unit

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of Paraguay, worth one hundred centimos (7) 29 ___ Leopards, Lancashire rugby league team (5)

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