

SUNDAY No 40 - WORLD PUZZLE by PETO

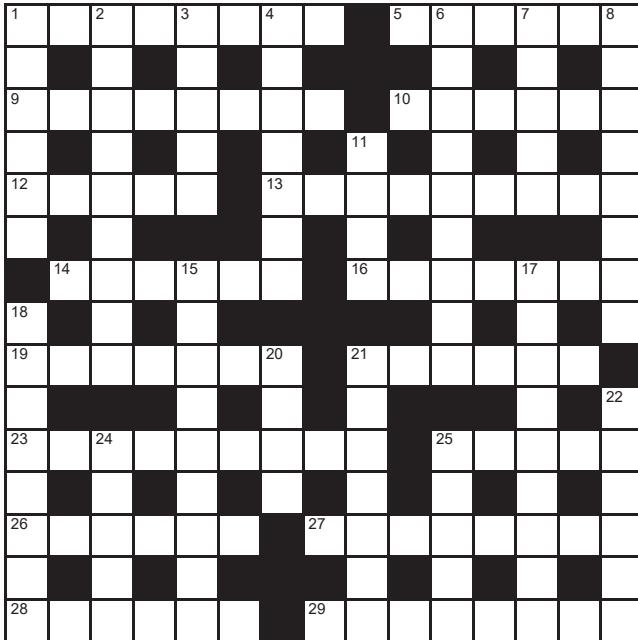
A cryptic puzzle themed on one particular country. The name of the country should be inserted at 16 across. Work out the name of the country by solving the *asterisked clues, all undefined - their solutions have some relevance to the country, such as its places, famous people, culture, language

ACROSS

- 1 * Protest about strike-breaker (8)
- 25ac * Dump lard not used (6,5)
- 9 * Councillor describing her sly manoeuvring (8)
- 10 * Cut down clutching books (6)
- 12 * Piece of acrylic board belonging to me (5)
- 13 * Book falling short on gangs I hear (3,6)
- 14 * Fashion magazine cutting personnel department (6)
- 16 [See Setter Notes] (7)
- 19 * Fresh troubles (3,4)
- 21 * Against interrupting ship's officer (6)
- 23 * Version of Priam's end (9)
- 25 See 5
- 26 Sides separated by area near river in brief (6)
- 27 * Singer heard at gathering for dancing (8)
- 28 Scarper with hooligan reportedly maintaining denial (3,3)
- 29 * Troublesome men at sea (8)

DOWN

- 1 Make off with diamonds and ceremonial staff lifted by page (6)
- 2 Fun run with yours truly surrounded by mythical creatures at the start (9)
- 3 Rejected Spain's class system (5)
- 4 Answer more suitable from someone assisting in crime (7)
- 6 Unscented roses could run riot without a bit of care (9)
- 7 Creamy sauce with bison regularly eaten by old boxer (5)
- 8 * Brownish-grey headgear seen around church (5,3)
- 11 Contents of dream meaning upset for novel's heroine (4)
- 15 Relaxed page's way of selling tea (5-4)
- 17 Perform vaccinations working over in ICU recently (9)
- 18 * Whizz through the air over river (8)
- 20 A little French river Matisse at first ignored (4)
- 21 Kind of neckwear for legal representative not available after prohibition (7)
- 22 Firefighters in shed at back of stables (6)
- 24 * Lover of Zeus lacking enthusiasm (5)
- 25 During arrest he talked of a letter from Greece (5)



Solution No 39

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