

SUNDAY No 74 - WORLD by HAMILTON

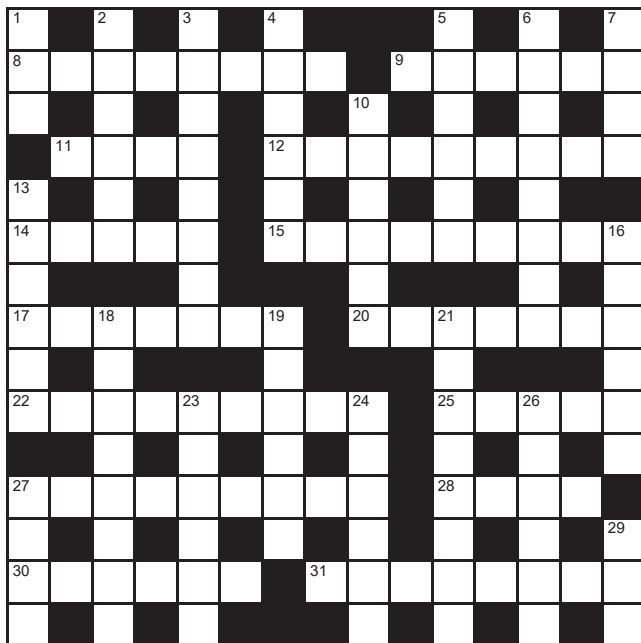
A cryptic puzzle themed on one particular place in the world. Its name should be inserted at 1 Down/9 Across/14 Across. Work out the place by solving the * asterisked clues, all undefined. Their solutions have some relevance to the place, such as famous people, locations and culture

ACROSS

- 8** Carriers of gold get in place within hours (8)
9 See 1
11 * At last, applaud former president (4)
12 A couple of crowned heads in resident's account (9)
14 See 1
15 Dynamic Frenchman returns to receive cut diamonds (9)
17 * Is Don McLean single? (7)
20 Androgynous saga has point (7)
22 * Pixie consumed by doubt, empty and disheartened (5,4)
25 * Forces chief beset with endless trouble (5)
27 Bernie's not finally swallowed baby food? That's rough! (9)
28 * Famous fountain's centre and end-piece (4)
30 Love Wayne madly but it's not reciprocated (3,3)
31 * Give thanks to mum for recycling hot air (4,4)

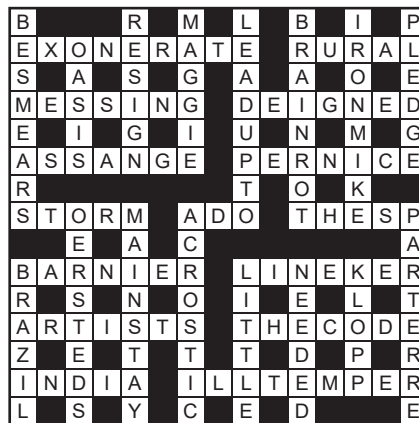
DOWN

- 1/9/14** * [See Setter Notes] (3,11)
2 Short month on Scotsman's calendar (6)
3 Caught! Eileen's in trouble with landlord (8)
4 * Rita has the low-down when last goes first (6)
5 Margaret's accommodating granny in Malaysian state (6)
6 It contributes to riches made by writer (8)
7/27 * Learns to adapt (4,4)
10 Cheeses requested and a piece of cake (6)
13 Worked hard and rescued about fifty (6)
16 * Mostly show appreciation for directions (6)
18 Working up to something bigger? Not any more (2,6)
19 * Half the grass planted next to borders (6)
21 Wretched domestic takes time out to recruit female (8)
23 Earl checks out of fancy aparthotel; on his head be it! (3,3)



- 24** Problem for the listener, who has an old 78 (6)
26 Luxury motor whose interior is only half practical (6)
27 See 7
29 * Ovid's Middle English translation (3)

Solution No 73



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