

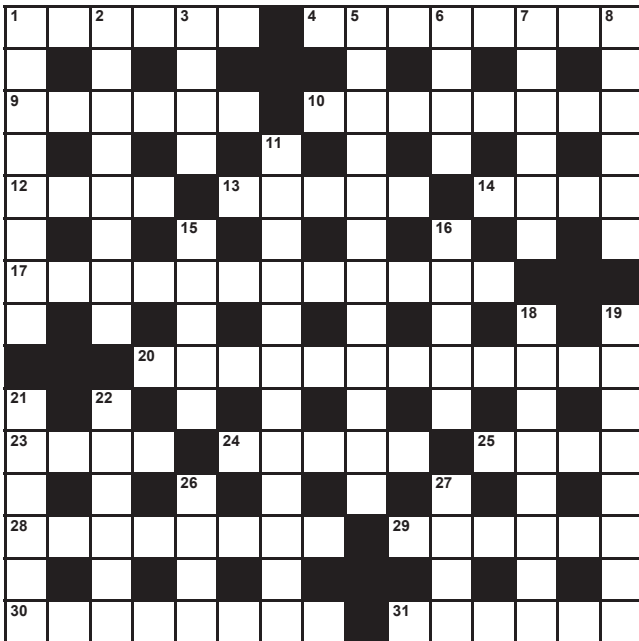
Crossword 16,508 Set by Mudd

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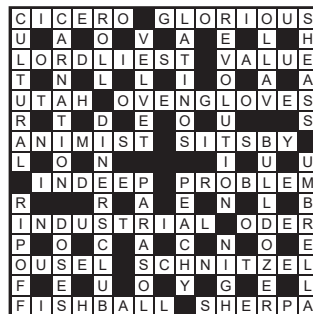
- 1 Instant bitterness, moving (6)
 4 Holy Church finally approved (8)
 9 Absolutely not fine, that is, sex (6)
 10 Something to watch in acknowledgement of obligation, that's for sure (1,4,3)
 12 Draw symbol, shortly (4)
 13 Strange, setter's game (5)
 14 Central target, male on the field? (4)
 17 Romantic, when Tim goes out with Beryl? (3-5-4)
 20 Around end of marriage, marital bliss briefly restored - that relationship could go either way (12)
 23 Stringed instrument: instrument's first plucked (4)
 24 A little toe, by a miracle, put back perhaps (5)
 25 Search me for visa, say? (4)
 28 Acts: mine lost in meaning (8)
 29 Arabian monster with no time to cage people (6)
 30 Whatever you like in tangy broth, ultimately surprising (8)
 31 Villain, a stinker? (3,3)

DOWN

- 1 Boatman struggling to catch one in Canadian province (8)
 2 Accept New York location's first to come up - for this place? (8)
 3 Hide style, not showing head (4)
 5 Number you must remember while the clock's ticking (2,4,4,2)
 6 Girl likely to lose heart (4)
 7 Unconventional exit? (3-3)
 8 Make blue waves increase substantially? (6)
 11 European cases, I'm sorry to say, coming from New Guinea, perhaps? (12)
 15 Lawful run! (3,2)
 16 Die - as might an amphibian? (5)
 18 Seminal works on European from Italy (8)
 19 Wonderful beat in chorus (8)
 21 State in a reggae-like style? (6)
 22 Sturdy stomach in mole (6)
 26 Angry neighbour kicking hedge, initially cross (4)
 27 Star in sleazebag eventually shown up (4)



Solution 16,507



Solution 16,496

