CROSSWORD No 16,590 Set by GOLIATH

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Solution 16,589

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ACROSS

- 1 One way to kick the habit by wrapping kicking strap round compiler's middle (6)
- 4 One travels to work, avoiding a true disaster (8)
- 10 Very legal tout (7)
- **11** Americans heading west look for denial (7)
- **12** A bit of skirt that's used to attract attention (4)
- **13** Bigots' hobby, regularly engaging in kinky phone sex (10)
- **16** Leave computer brand staffing centre (3,3)
- **17** Ask somehow to be in front or quit (7)
- **20** Suspicious about early start, finally wipe lens (7)
- **21** Heckled and perhaps rejected: court dismissed (6)
- **24** Remarkable theory won't get modified (10)
- **25** Poetry's not extremely modest (4)
- **27** Don providing citation around 9 (7)
- **29** Perhaps some olive oil, and pizza filling found in Doctor Livingstone's cases (7)
- **30** Start of tropical disease outbreak in part of Manhattan (4,4)
- **31** Have you ever noticed anxious students? At first, they laugh (6)

DOWN

- 1 Six normally start off, as far as one can see (8)
- **2** Even bits of toilet are seen in prestige production film (11)
- **3, 15** Kiss frequently and try to seduce in dilapidated shed area (4,2,3,5)
- 5 Oscar coordinates fool's original copy? (8)
- **6, 26** Nice terms negotiated with yacht club (10,4)
- **7, 28** Links with Bangkok hotels may be on the radio (3-3)
- 8 Explores Istanbul's stonewall (6)
- 9 Speak outright (5)
- 14 Here xenophobes break out and sleep with Poles outside (6,5)
- 15 See 3
- 18 Why said figurehead is protected by clumsy minder, surely not David! (2,6)
- 19 Doctor Seuss to underwrite nonstandard parody of a legendary traveller (8)
- **22** One and only one in French intelligence superficially usable (6)
- **23** Slap on the wrist from backbench idealists (5)
- 26 See 6
- 28 See 7