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No 16,838 Set by BASILISK

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ACROSS

- 1 Catch person not eating around middle of Lent (8)
- 5 Neglect run-down region (6)
- 9 North American runs well regarded, related events (8)
- 10 Musician perhaps succeeded, having left Dire Straits (6)11 Disgust leads to Unionists executing those imprisoned in Peasants' Revolt
 - (8)

 12 Tone of church is encapsulated by religious teaching (6)
 - **14** Criminal trial never reveals material? Absolutely not! (10)
 - 18 Publicity helping to secure revolutionary author's respect (10)22 Start to eat without beginning to ask
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 - fate (4,4)

 24 Police captain displays really cool
 - head (6)
 25 Lose young female fish we caught (8)
 - **26** Inter Milan's wingers to be fouled (6) **27** Cracks in picture exposed with little

DOWN

1 Heartless verdict is punishing financially (6)

consideration (8)

- 2 Shoot up in drunken stupor (6)
- **3** Staff in shelter turned over protective cover (6)
- **4** Those who have a say choose to speak (10)
- **6** Terrible danger exposed hero as person involved in plot? (8)
- **7** First soldier stopping at home gets spoken about (8)
- 8 Terms of service weaken formal agreement's appeal (8)
- **13** Removal from office put down ultimately to wearing skirts (10)
- **15** What can enhance digital presentation and fix Powerpoint document? (4,4)
- **16** Lose resistance to rash affecting lip and cheek? (8)
- 17 Officially announce reason for backing £100 target (8)
- **19** Recipe for butcher's preserve? (4,2) **20** Humble achievement has to fade (6)
- 21 Provide evidence of case for adult trial (6)