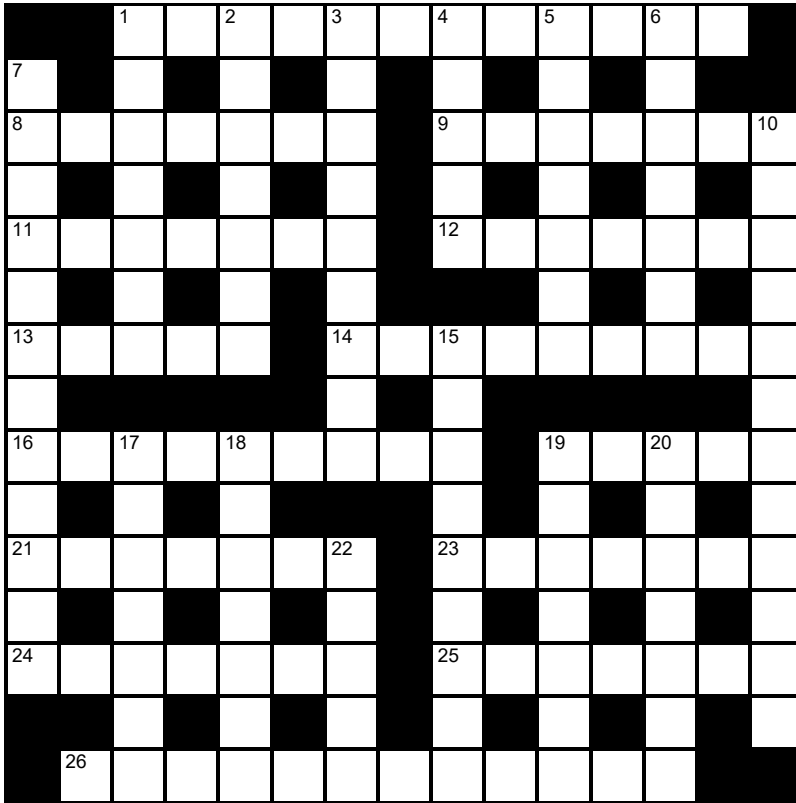


CROSSWORD

No 17,529 Set by MOO



ACROSS

- 1 A book for Coutts' most valued customers? (3,9)
- 8 Transporting stolen goods takes time (7)
- 9 Fired for slipshod editing (7)
- 11 State of local, one given help after setback (7)
- 12 Cowards in MI6 more than once welcoming end of struggle (7)
- 13 Dictator's creepy observation post (5)
- 14 In grip of dreadful inertia, English bishop getting drunk (9)
- 16 Came round late post-revel, heaving (9)
- 19 In Rome daddy's PR inspiring a mischievous woman (5)
- 21 Pompous American touring a Spanish city (7)
- 23 Seated thus on horse I stared around (7)
- 24 Was first to occupy river delta (7)
- 25 Cheat on more than one occasion (3-4)
- 26 Partners investing money to encourage theatre performer (12)

DOWN

- 1 Half of them liable to crash (7)
- 2 Sea cow moving east in spring (7)
- 3 Key agent of the CIA (9)
- 4 Complains about Republican troubles (5)
- 5 Royal flatulence very ripe at first whiff (7)
- 6 Pupil at back nicking school head's booze (7)
- 7 Simone de Beauvoir putting her feet up here? (6,6)
- 10 Dejected, I sent redhead running off (12)
- 15 One withdrawing more troops outside court (9)
- 17 Grill lover who was a valuable source (7)
- 18 Contestant getting 10 points for this entrée? (7)
- 19 Spooner's sexy European, a distraction for drivers (7)
- 20 Perception lacking in classroom activity (7)
- 22 Experience many highs here with Es (5)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,528

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