

CROSSWORD 18,276 by GUY

ACROSS

1 Setting for Gothic masterpiece which art restorer has framed (8)

6 Pretty bashful when indeterminate Spice Girl enters (6)

9 On which you might apply to get married (4)

10 Counter Charles built almost totally cracked (7,3)

11 Reform encountered a report of increased opposition (12)

13 Being friendly, match oddly starts with hostility (6)

15 European rifled our Pimm's store (8)

17 Relative finishes off gin and tonic and Scotch to relax (8)

19 Sikh family name two thirds of military academy (6)

20 French composer's works should exclude English, OK? (12)

24 Make poor little monkey in charge of his bananas (10)

25 Carbon atom with extra electrons goes round star (4)

26 House and home upright (6)

27 Pale fizzy drink made with Oxo? (8)

DOWN

2 Loud laugh an orphaned girl heard, folk partying (10)

3 Leaving steak and bread roll unfinished, dance (5)

4 Herb blended with cool new French cheese (9)

5 Doubt 1,000 lost in crush (7)

6 Material OK to be dropped by large helicopter (5)

7 Microwave producer not German, surprisingly (9)

8 Escort which motorist doesn't use any more? (4)

12 Nuclear physicist that woman's cross with battles to have sex on top (10)

14 Quiet complaint from Spooner, crushing rock (9)

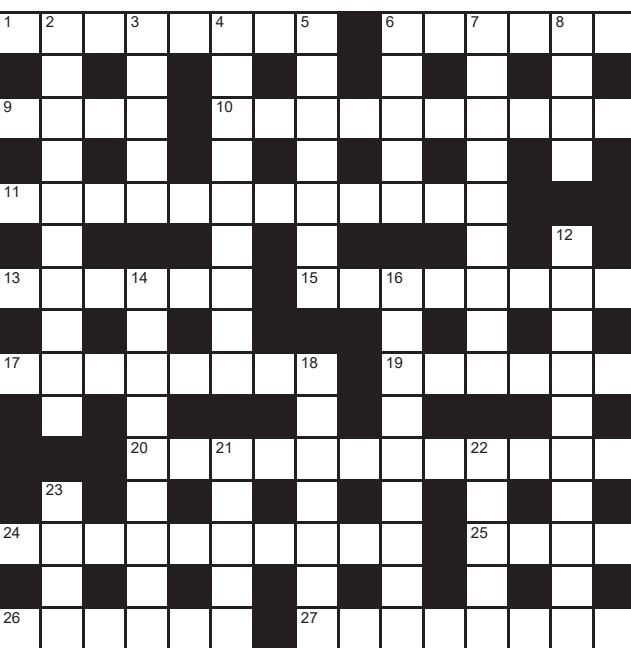
16 Light green tailored coat is hip (9)

18 Lord Muck's greeting brothers and sisters, hugging any number (3,4)

21 Lift carrying tons, lifting in shop? (5)

22 Judge weak king (5)

23 Mother picked up minute shells, etc (4)



Solution 18,270

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N U M E R A L T O P S A I L
T E L E I R P A
A R R A Y C A R P E N T E R
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