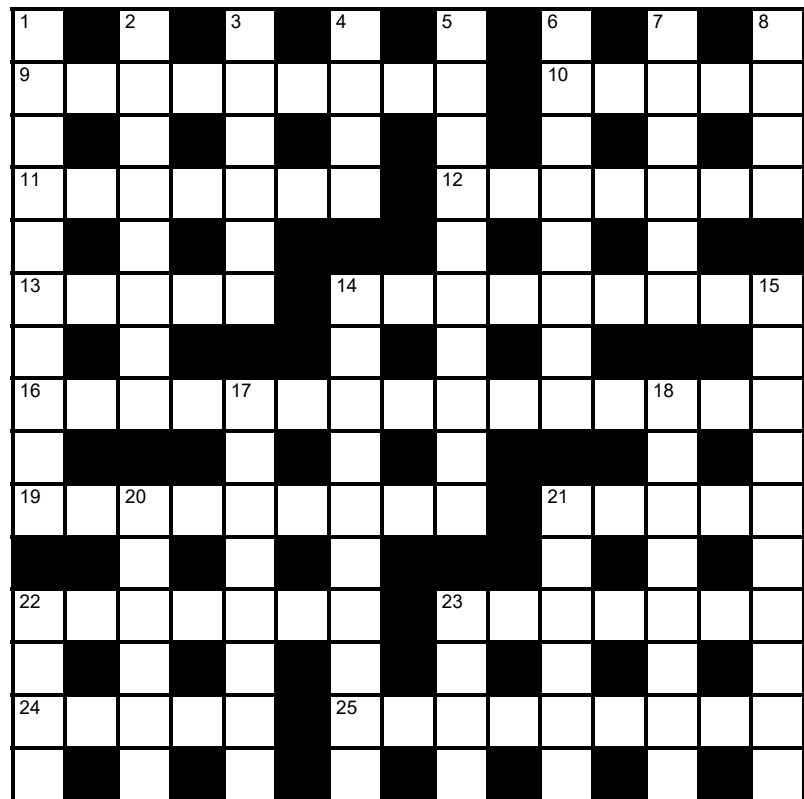


Across

- 9 Police officers, say, communicate arresting higher education provider (2,7)
- 10 ;-) perhaps record label acquiring breakfast drink (5)
- 11 It's a struggle to hold back massive cart army (3,4)
- 12 Doctor eliminated TB from trembling problem (7)
- 13 Unsighted, tie around hand! (5)
- 14 Special advisers absorbing rain is setback for nationals (9)
- 16 They systematically delay holy hero replacing zero in oboists containing commotion (15)
- 19 Finish informing your ants' staying power (9)
- 21 Norwegian island first of all to lose an underwater engine room (5)
- 22 "Bridge Six" kidnap: head boy released (7)
- 23 No joke when mini-stroke follows cactus (7)
- 24 Goddess' anger gripping in French (5)
- 25 A repeater shot up Christmas bird's place (1,4,4)

Down

- 1 Community of the very small mice concealing broom Delta broke (10)
- 2 Short: Arsenic injected with Indium. It's the end! (8)
- 3 Often blue content of Quatari; ban deserved (6)



- 4 21d casts light on traditional beliefs (4)
- 5 And gamely I cook poison from almonds (10)
- 6 13a type, such as Tintoretto (8)
- 7 13a say, posh vehicle (6)
- 8 Right result of last of intimidation following fake news (4)
- 14 Subordinate met up tackling Arsenal's first aspiring players (6,4)
- 15 Delta missing "True Russia's" insane whispers (10)
- 17 Secret revealed after Paris train line went a different way (8)
- 18 Speaks after quiet closes (8)
- 20 Suspends officer covering serious sexual assault (6)
- 21 Gallery opening (6)
- 22 Evil disrupted part of bridal outfit (4)
- 23 Higher revolt partially overturned (4)