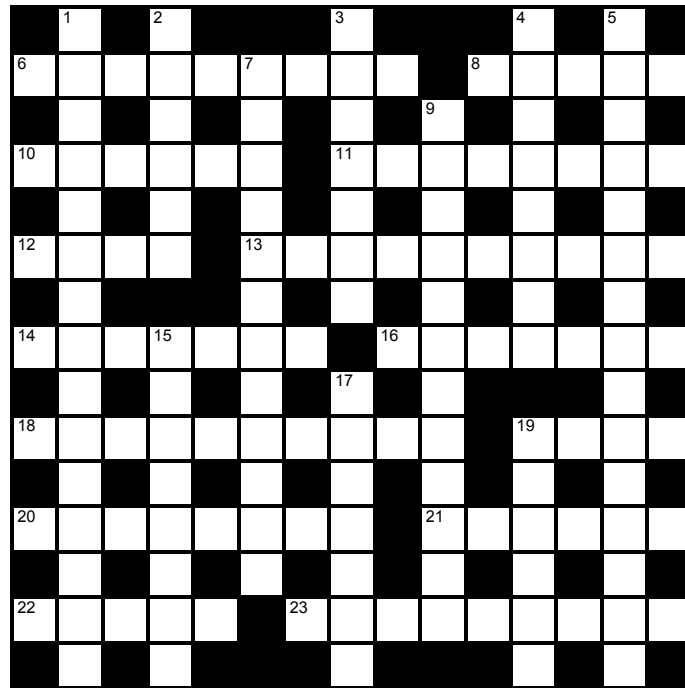


Proverbial

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Across

- 6 Boatman caught up in a whirling tornado of love and devotion (9)
- 8 A spirit (a large 1) (5)
- 10 Where to get rid of stuff in Lancashire (6)
- 11 Set of equipment includes a small boat and a Boatman for tropical islands (8)
- 12 Sharp end of sabre cuts into 5 (4)
- 13 When steam locomotives leave ground behind, they can fly you to the stars (3,7)
- 14 Burrower dug into 5 diggers, perhaps (7)
- 16 5 overrun by plant-life during holiday (7)
- 18 Slurs and rasps - noise is horrible (10)
- 19 Fruity bird in black? I wish! (4)
- 20 Fashionable 5 strata's first layers (8)
- 21 Look after cathedral and palace (6)
- 22 A one-day opportunity to train with the fashionable crowd (5)
- 23 Monumental era began, controversially, with zero (6,3)

Down

- 1 See 5
- 2 Boat capsized by 5 is mythically 1 for boatmen (6)
- 3 Express contempt over 5-penny support for literature (4-3)
- 4 Prestigious type of institution built with Spooner's pile of dosh (8)
- 5/1 Proverbially said to be illustrated by collapse of Kent: it all rests on wise old Dickie Bird, standing on the boundary with Boatman, disheartened over fury to dismiss Hampshire's opener, not-out on 1000 (A 6,9 IS 1,9,5)
- 7 Silent, as poet disputes major contribution to value of books (3-4,5)
- 9 Finest creation ran over 5 in literature (12)
- 15 Protests about vessels with 5 on board (8)
- 17 It might be the cause of sore nut? (7)
- 19 5 with mixed approval for economic writer (6)

