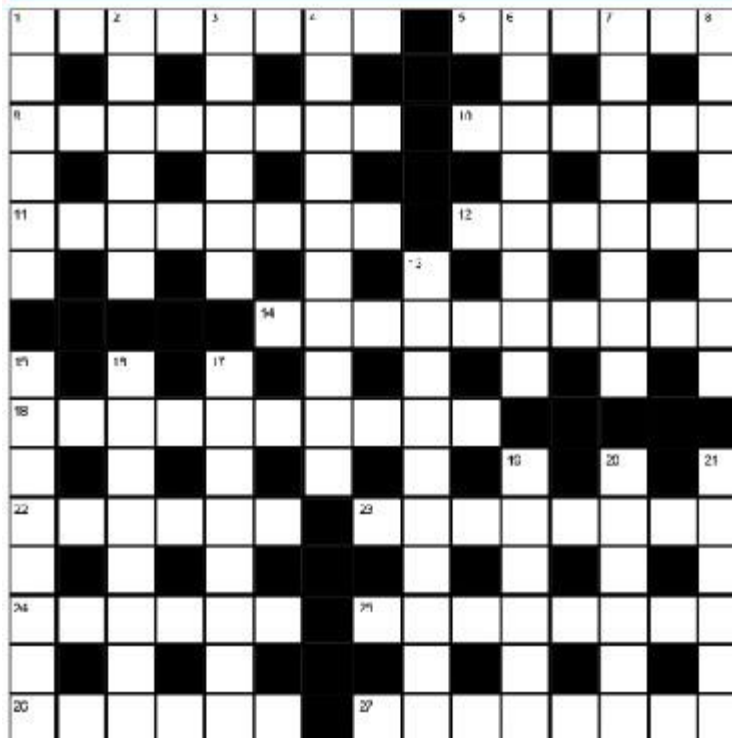


Bilingual cryptic crossword

by Parolles



Across

- 1 Tried working on coldness of manner shown by female publisher in Lille (8)
- 5 American fellow you reportedly upset has it with milk in Nice (2,4)
- 9 Union leader in retreat over blocking broadcast of Chirac's goodbye (2,6)
- 10 More ghostly when headless German is seen around lake (6)
- 11 Playwright speaking of deduction made from worker's pay (5-3)
- 12 Crack heard by Bottom (6)
- 14 The one out in front of gate talking to Parolles (10)
- 18 English philosopher and bishop going into argument in favour of acceptable religious work for instance (6,4)
- 22 Girl starts to analyse literary society's historical records (6)
- 23 It acts as a precedent for what luggage manufacturers should do (4,4)
- 24 Corinne's correct about the first accountant discovered in river (6)
- 25 Revolutionary returning to take possession of island by Danton's decree (8)
- 26 Smooth French queen is seen earlier in the centre of Karlsbad (6)
- 27 Pierre's moved castle finally during unusual endgame (8)

Down

- 1 Aurelie's slim chance essentially to infiltrate the Spanish church (6)
- 2 Country of old king's boosted after start of independence (6)
- 3 Cancel fair after vicar's found with Ecstasy (6)
- 4 Chatter curtailed by most important religious leader (5,5)
- 6 Not deserved by a French dancer caught out unfortunately (8)
- 7 A story about soldiers at end of riot being fed in Metz (8)
- 8 Revolutionary soldiers beyond hill revealed by Hubert's flare (8)
- 13 Salesman has old settee fixed with headrest in Marseille (6-4)
- 15 A heap of objects for the most part comprising standard electronic apparatus in Calais (8)
- 16 Denies for example splitting profits (8)
- 17 Letters from Isabella treasured by French fop (8)
- 19 Novelist's inflexible on the radio (6)
- 20 Frequently repeated slogan in Thailand embraced by American visual artist endlessly (6)
- 21 Those stuck in it are always late? (6)

Across: 1 Editrice, 5 Au lait, 9 Au revoir, 10 Eerier, 11 Check-off, 12 Breech, 14 Pacesetter, 18 Prayer book, 22 Annals, 23 Test case, 24 Exacte, 25 Décréter, 26 Lisser, 27 Déménagement.

Down: 1 Elance, 2 Israël, 3 Revoke, 4 Chief Rabbi, 6 Unearned, 7 Alimente, 8 Torchère, 13 Repose-tête, 15 Appareil, 16 Gainsays, 17 Bellâtre, 19 Sterne, 20 Mantra, 21 Hearse.