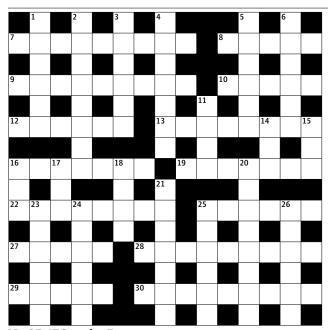
Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,476 set by Boatman

Eleven solutions are of a kind, hinted at but not defined.

Across

- **7** Apes?! (5,4)
- **8** Faint with illness after vegetable starter (5)
- **9** Lunatic unmanned? Not in this puzzle! (3,6)
- **10,18** Island escape (9)
- **12** Charm unhealthy pal into eating vegetable (6)
- 13 Support for essentials of writer's home: king's copper penny (8)
- **16** Vehicle disintegrates (7)
- **19** Boatman gets sack in church (7)
- **22** Bedlam as Spooner ate rodent (8)
- **25** Vegetable gum (ethically sourced) (6)
- 27 Somewhere in the north (not the north) (5)
- 28 Tragic result about one lost from nine miners (9)
- **29** Shiny little vegetable (5)
- **30** Fool that is not perturbed by Spain's first slave treaties (9)

Down

- 1 pi?! (6)
- **2** Bird in celebrity magazine putting on outer garments (8)
- Formation of tornado in southern April storms(6)
- 4 Lays blame over ... (7)

- 5 ... container container container container of nothing (6)
- **6** Trump started to live, excluded, away from home at first (6)
- **11** Good god! (4)
- **14** See 16
- **15** Cash in chips at the casino? You might need this (3)
- 16,14 Metal image of God reputedly placed above a South American city (6)
- **17,25** Tell diner about ... (3,6)
- 18 See 10
- **20** ... startling horse eaten by naughty goblin (8)
- **21** Fight off engineer over vegetable (7)
- 23 Too much wave motion beneath one (2,4)
- **24** Avoids commitment when Shed, say, is playing tricks (6)
- **25** See 17
- **26** Dispute after damage (6)

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