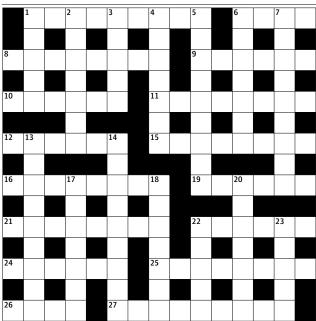
Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,683 set by Rufus

Across

- Bound to score in this game (9)
- Indicate a suitable victim (4)
- Dejected when name is not top of the bill? (8)
- Prescription for success in the kitchen (6)
- Church is about to suspend innovation (6)
- Eve's late, perhaps, but gives a lift (8)
- Master switch for the current (6)
- No chores undone in this vessel (8)
- Best clothes in tatters after having left to wander around (4,4)
- Former name to cause a stir (6)
- 21 Made about a thousand to be burned (8)
- 22 One habitually taking things did wrong in law
- Trendy company needing support? (6)
- Joins members of the embassy staff (8)
- Lockers A to G, perhaps (4)
- Monocle is readjusted half a stop (9)

Down

- Spirited Dutch painter?(5)
- 2 Coppers must accept an imposed punishment(7)

- Make cracks on passing fashion (5)
- Is in danger of falling for accountants? (7)
- Work of a forger, bent but possibly lucky (9)
- Can come to play with model construction set (7)
- What MPs do about now (9)
- Allowance made to new cleaner (9)
- When to make me smile at cook? (9)
- 17 Two thousand and one in fees? They're not real(7)
- Weapon of no use at the front? (4,3)
- A note added willingly (7)
- 22 Athenian garret (5)
- How one comes to confess (5)

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