

No 25,887 set by Crucible

Across

- 1 Swift work women learnt in translation in a day (9)
- 6,9 Older stars transformed Swift work (4,6)8 Swift's working at hotel
- in winter time (8) 9 See 6
- 10 It qualifies grammati-
- cally, for instance (6) **11** Swift man's ear repelled by organ (8)
- 12 Such are the Houyhnhnms, in the author's estimation (6)
- **15** Judges new church not square in old city (3,5)
- **16** Martial piece, say, tackled by wayward genius (5,3)
- **19** Swift work met with fury (6)
- **21** Swift place laid behind plant, say (8)
- 22 Swift German sheep jumps ditch? Not half (6)
- 24 Swift beasts' house in backward Scottish isle (6)
- **25** Swift sleeps and eats thus, served from trolley? (2-6)
- **26** Where 1's set iron poles (4)
- **27** Magicians in Glubbdubdrib, terribly cross about rulers (9)

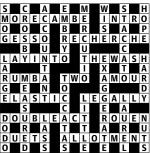
Down

1 Pressed suit with old dictionary (5)

2 Composer in back street makes journey (7)

- **3** He's in pub, backsliding after this, clearly (5)
- **4** Upset spirit that shuffled about in the dark (2,5)
- **5** Peer over large cape for comic effect (9)
- **6** Opponent of progress diluted fluid (7)
- **7** Pantograph user creates squiggles round itself? Not in the morning (9)
- **13** Found emigration tricky after money ran out (9)
- **14** Aids during 2 initial jobs (9)
- 17 Cut misses out 2 swiftly (7)
- **18** How one looks in new change of attire? (7)
- **20** Milk supplier that is earning millions, when China's brought in (7)
- **22** Old man clipped bloomer (5)
- **23** A man on board remains (5)

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Guardian cryptic crossword