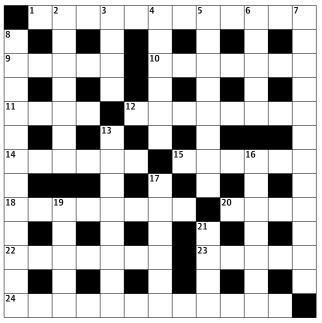
Quick crossword no 12,821



Across

- 1 "Apples and pears" for stairs, for example (7,5)
- 9 Natural ability (5)
- 10 Singing along to a machine (7)
- 11 Christmas (4)
- 12 Underwear oh dear! (8)
- **14** (Of old) a free person cultivating his own land (6)
- **15** Chaos former asylum (6)
- **18** Emphatically (2,6)
- **20** Conform to a metrical pattern (4)
- **22** Covered entrance to a building (7)
- 23 Type of make-up (5)
- **24** "She" author (5,7)

- **13** Offhand Charles I supporter (8)
- **16** Hard glossy coating (7)
- **17** Felt hat (6)
- **19** Torn-off fragment (5)
- 21 Two-masted square-rigger (4)

Down

- **2** Sailors' cry when pulling on a rope (5-2)
- 3 Device collecting sound from a singer, say – boy's name (abbr) (4)
- 4 Dropping an A-bomb (onto) (6)
- **5** Thin wheel with teeth driven by a chain (8)
- **6** Residence (5)
- **7** Mechanic (6,6)
- 8 Bare breaststroker? (6-6)

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