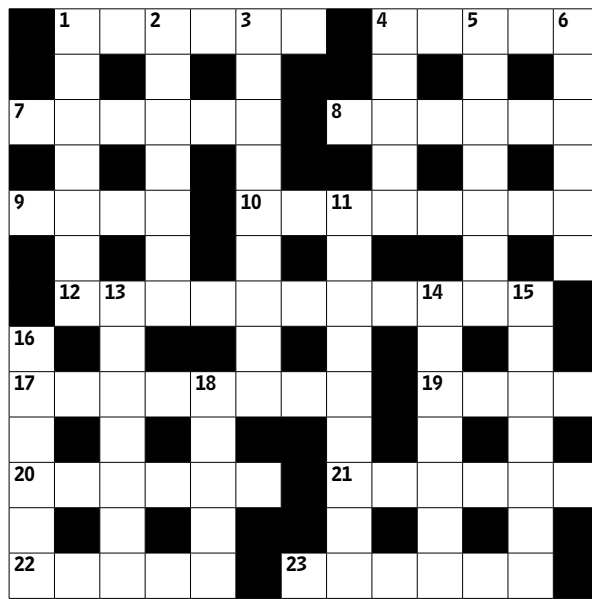


SPEEDY CROSSWORD NO. 888



SOLUTION NO. 887



ACROSS

- 1 Betrothed (6)
- 4 Sun hat (5)
- 7 Platitude (6)
- 8 Compound, mixture (6)
- 9 Leave (off) (4)
- 10 Eavesdrop (6,2)
- 12 Magical incantation (11)
- 17 Attractive (8)
- 19 Impend, threaten (4)
- 20 Perceptive, shrewd (6)
- 21 Set light to (6)
- 22 Civic official (5)
- 23 Go back, ebb (6)

DOWN

- 1 Recipe, procedure (7)
- 2 Airman (7)
- 3 Conspiring in illegal activity (9)
- 4 Lovers' meeting (5)
- 5 Accomplice (7)
- 6 Termination (6)
- 11 Alluring (9)
- 13 Intolerance, prejudice (7)
- 14 Equilibrium (7)
- 15 Evangelist, proponent (7)
- 16 Prepare for burial (6)
- 18 Come in (5)