

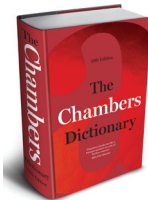
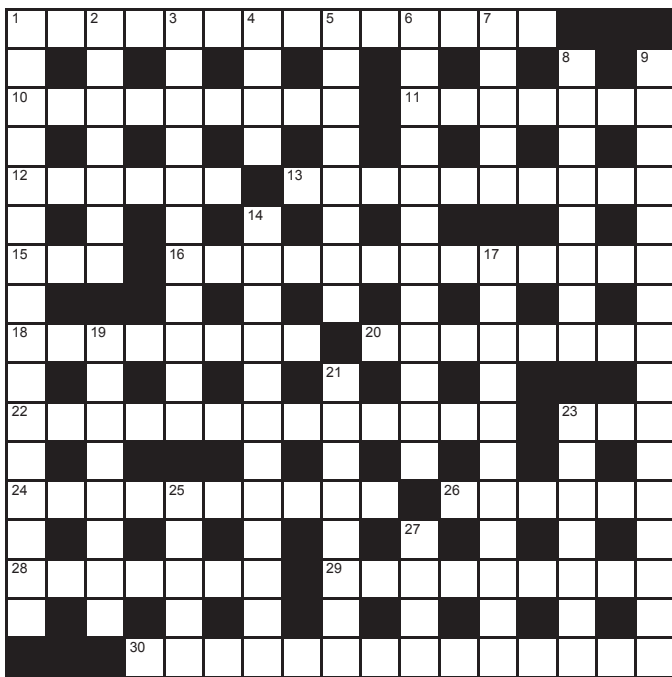
Polymath 977 Set by Pedrock

ACROSS

- 1 Polony made using mixed meats (7,7)
- 10 Sac which in invertebrates is supposed to be connected to hearing (9)
- 11 Principle relating to the strength of electric current (4,3)
- 12 Using humour based on a contradiction (6)
- 13 Youngsters undergoing military training (5,5)
- 15 Friendly goblin in Scandinavian folklore (3)
- 16 Devoted to helping other people (13)
- 18 Vigorously, enthusiastically (8)
- 20 Circular opening in a wall in Chinese architecture (4,4)
- 22 Steed pulling a vehicle (8,5)
- 23 -- *naturale*, natural law (3)
- 24 Village near Bedale in North Yorkshire (7,3)
- 26 Woman's large cotton hat worn especially during 18th century (3,3)
- 28 Swing used by acrobats (7)
- 29 Sucking proboscises (9)
- 30 Yucca with straight sword-shaped leaves (7,7)

DOWN

- 1 Sweet made on the continent from seeds of cacao plants (7,9)
- 2 Light to moderate greenish-yellow (7)
- 3 Expression from Latin meaning Glory be to the Father (6,5)
- 4 --- alcohol, colourless, flammable liquid; pentanol (4)
- 5 Small semicircular moulding (8)
- 6 Department in Burgundy region in central France (5-2-5)
- 7 Sexually produced (5)
- 8 Shrub or vine of the genus *Clianthus* (5-3)
- 9 *Monstera deliciosa*, tropical climber (5,6,5)
- 14 Common open area in a small built-up area (7,5)
- 17 Village in South Gloucestershire north of Yate (11)
- 19 Decoration for meritorious service awarded in the US (3,5)
- 21 Cricket trophy fought over between England and Australia (3,5)
- 23 Tony, golfer who won the British Open championship in 1969 (7)
- 25 Become coated with a frozen layer (3,2)
- 27 Something that restrains or holds back (4)



Solution Polymath 975



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