

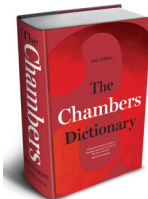
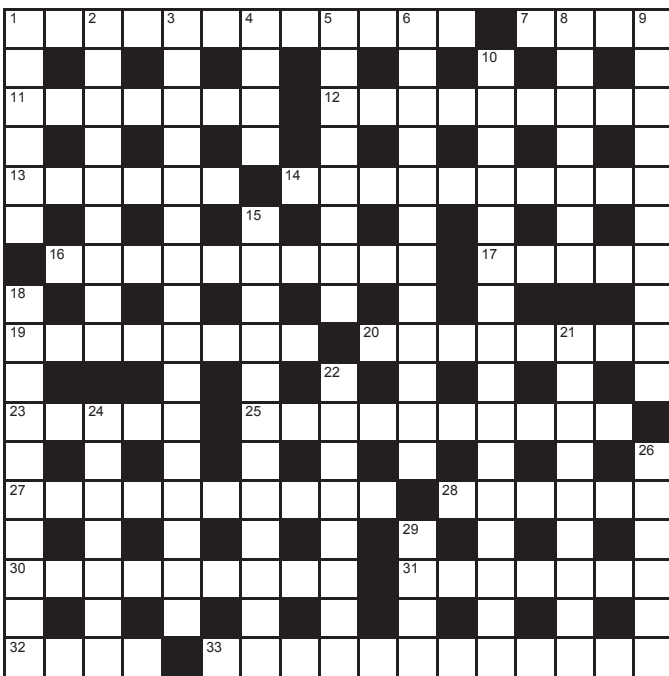
# Polymath 978 Set by Falcon

## ACROSS

- 1** Resort city in Florida (7,5)  
**7** Jack, actor who played the town drunk in the 1952 film *High Noon* (4)  
**11** The guacharo (7)  
**12** Sir John, one of the leading architectural historians of the 20th century (9)  
**13** Percy ----- Shelley, romantic poet (6)  
**14** Alessandro, Italian adventurer and self-styled magician (10)  
**16** A grey, pink or brown hard mineral (10)  
**17** Tidal race caused by conflicting tides around the Shetland and Orkney Islands (5)  
**19** The first part of a long piece of classical music such as an opera (8)  
**20** Puccini opera (2,6)  
**23** Rainer Maria, Austro-German poet born in Prague (5)  
**25** River that passes through Madrid (10)  
**27** Size of type intermediate between small pica and bourgeois (10)  
**28** Port on the Illinois River (6)  
**30** Dorset resort (4,5)  
**31** Cheshire town (7)  
**32** The last of the Stuart monarchs (4)  
**33** A type of imitation lacquer (6,6)

## DOWN

- 1** A satellite of Saturn (6)  
**2** Painting by Marianne Stokes (9)  
**3** Marx Brothers film; Queen album (1,5,2,3,5)  
**4** Ransom E., a pioneer of the American automotive industry (4)  
**5** ----- Vye, character in Thomas Hardy's *The Return of the Native* (8)  
**6** Brigitte Bardot's character in the 1963 film *Contempt* (or *Le Mépris*) (7,5)  
**8** Kingdom of southern Africa (7)  
**9** East Indian tree with thick leathery leaves and edible fruit (10)  
**10** Historical novel by Arthur Golden (7,2,1,6)  
**15** Australian river, a major tributary of the Murray River (12)  
**18** Obsessive or repetitive use of obscene language, eg as a characteristic of Tourette's syndrome (10)  
**21** Small plant of the figwort family with little snapdragonlike flowers (9)  
**22** Hans Christian, Danish author of fairy tales (8)  
**24** Thomas, English publisher (7)  
**26** Earl, chairman of the commission that investigated the murder of President Kennedy (6)  
**29** Frans, painter of *The Laughing Cavalier* (4)



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