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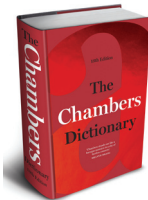
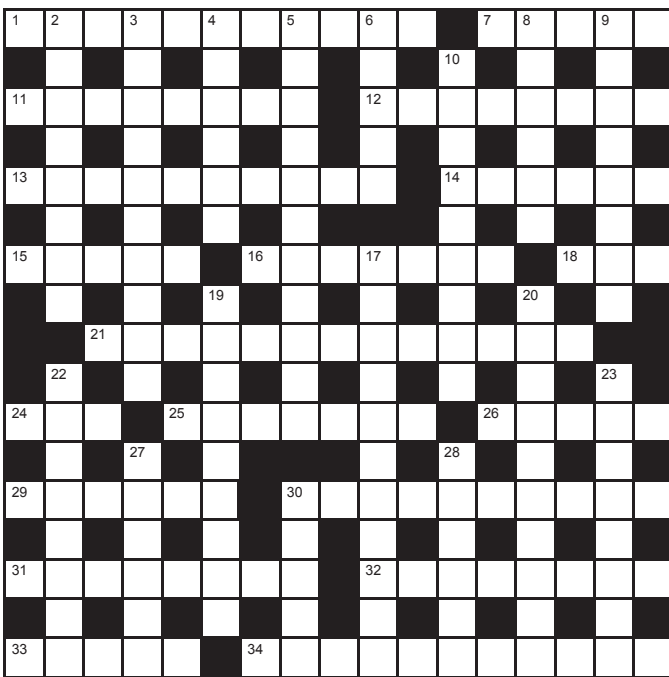
ACROSS

- 1** Volcanic peak in the Cascade Range, California (5,6)
7 ----- Stadium, Glasgow, home of Rangers FC (5)
11 Smoked sausage originally made with brains (8)
12 Common Eurasian yellow-flowered cornfield weed (8)
13 Mill town region in south Lancashire (10)
14 Thickened dorsal plate of an arthropod segment (6)
15 Ukraine-born dramatist, novelist and short-story writer, 1809-52 (5)
16 Sainted Anglo-Saxon bishop of Winchester (7)
18 Wine region in central Portugal (3)
21 Yorkshire cricketer, the oldest ever Test match player (7,6)
24 A rabbi, especially one in authority (3)
25 Daughter of Shylock in *The Merchant of Venice* (7)
26 Lowest part of the small intestine (5)
29 Violent desert sandstorm or dust storm (6)
30 Strong, sweet English ale (6,4)
31 Flat, olive oil-based Italian bread (8)
32 Small two-handled ancient Roman flasks (8)
33 Tube of material worn as a hood or neck scarf (5)
34 Overlapping circles representing mathematical sets (4,7)

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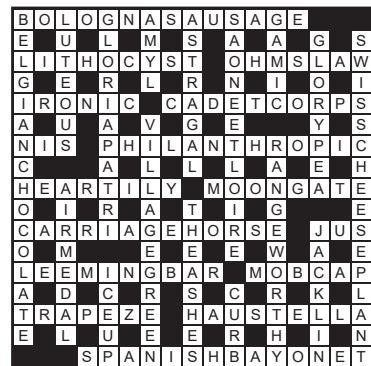
DOWN

- 2** Poem by Friedrich Schiller used in Beethoven's Ninth (3,2,3)
3 Province in eastern Canada, capital Halifax (4,6)
4 Stretch of sea that separates the Isle of Wight from the mainland (6)
5 1968 album by Van Morrison (6,5)
6 Goddess of fortune in Greek mythology (5)
8 Lively Spanish dance in triple time (6)
9 Relating to dental bite or mode of meeting (8)
10 Former Portuguese colony in south-east Asia (4,5)
17 1966 film directed by Alfred Hitchcock (4,7)
19 City on the river Main in Hesse, Germany (9)
20 Emblem on a ship indicating quarantine (6,4)
22 Sweet biscuit made with ground almonds or coconut (8)
23 Spanish midfielder footballer, born 1988 (4,4)
27 Constellation in the southern sky called the Swordfish (6)
28 Ancient Greek city on the slopes of Mount Parnassus (6)
30 Quentin, the first British Children's Laureate in 1999 (5)



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