

A famous Victorian poem (5,5) and its author (7,6) are to be found at 13, 1 dn and 4 respectively.

Across

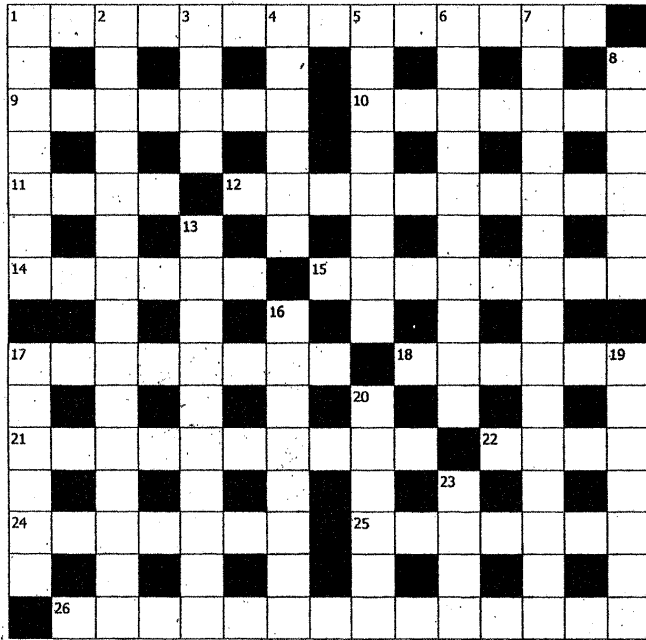
- 1 Numbers people, subject-related, among aliens without protections of right (14)
- 9 False note interrupted by expression of disgust? Make harder (7)
- 10 Wide open space, somehow airier after start of pampas (7)
- 11 Feature of landscape evoking humour? (2-2)
- 12 Mrs Goliath could provide material for sets of instructions (10)
- 14 Learning about a type of tooth (6)
- 15 Payment made to old servant (8)
- 17 'Now is our salvation nearer than when we ____' (Romans 13) (8)
- 18 Most ancient stole draped around top of dalmatic (6)
- 21 Cuba Bill in trouble, having no scriptural support (10)
- 22 Give them a little while to surround the country (4)
- 24 Added no variant of non-human criminal actor (7)
- 25 Friendly, like the dwellings of the Lord? (7)
- 26 'Beach mates'? Yes – a possible construction meaning 'yes or no' (2,3,4,3,2)

Down

- 1 *See preamble*
- 2 Hard-wearing, like a long-established chemist's shop? (5,2,3,5)
- 3 'Foxtrot's predecessor'? Copy (4)
- 4 *See preamble*
- 5 Succentor claims to be tested; that's better (8)
- 6 Gambia associated with Nile, in a way? It could be conceived (10)
- 7 A story by Jane: 'Former PM's wrath at religious house' (10,5)
- 8 Critic said to be a swinging smoker! (6)
- 13 *See preamble*
- 16 Synonym of 'occasional table'? (8)
- 17 'Thou hast set them their ____ which they shall not pass' (Ps 104) (6)
- 19 Ancient craft that produces mitre with scripture lessons (7)
- 20 If a pound were a shilling, Maria could be a famous cellist (6)
- 23 Steady business (4)

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