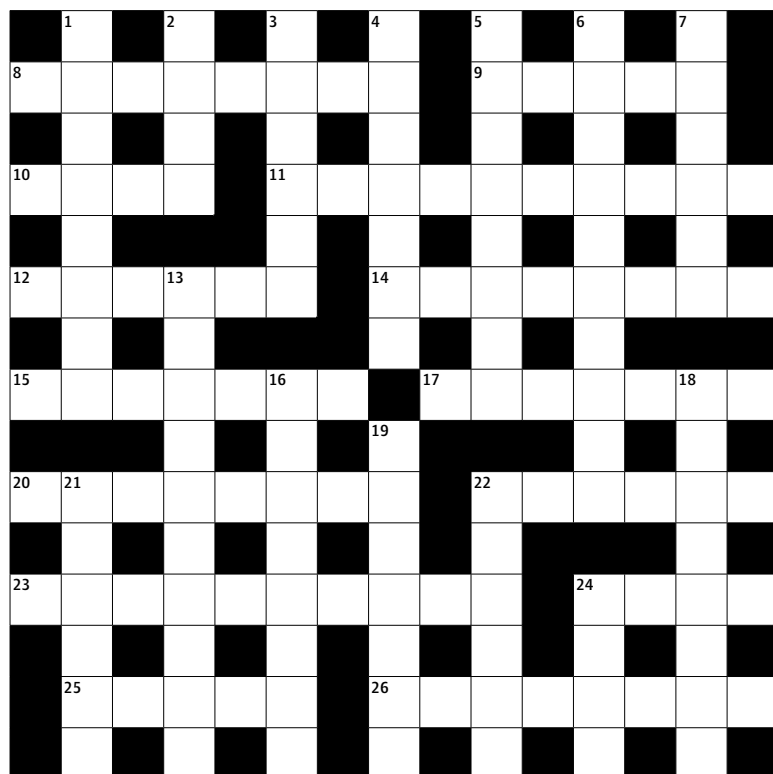


Guardian cryptic crossword No 30,078 set by Paul



Across

- 8** More than one man mountain somewhere in 15 (8)
9/10 Love and prayer in 15 breaks through for Willard White, perhaps (5,4)
11 Python catches boa wandering by say, somewhere in 15 (7,3)
12 Hard left turns approaching end of rally - something for the winner? (6)
14 Hats off, supply a wrap (4,4)
15 Was she not given a choice to speak for country? (7)
17 Oath's not a pretence, would Aussie say? (7)
20 See 26
22 Old man's taken to island, 15 by the sound of it? (6)
23 One struck by god, Cupid (10)
24 See 25
25/24 Favourite from 15 in sprint past team featuring Gatlin, Gay etc? (5,4)
26/20 A fantastic island chef takes dish from 15 (5,3,8)

Down

- 1** Bacterium in rum real, is it? (8)
2 Setter in a dress that's short (4)
3 Belly squeezed by fifth columnist in squat (6)
4 Nobody drunk now nobody drinks! (7)
5 Activation of lever in bed to get

warmer at night? (8)

- 6** Inferior boss, decent after training (6-4)
7 Knight guzzling absinthe, originally on the wagon (6)
13 Thing concluding film featuring final lightweight item (7,3)
16 Rodent taking wodge around lunchtime? (8)
18 Frivolous throw, cast and pitch? (8)
19 Periods on horseback where British king into himself? (7)
21 Counter when a god denied church (6)
22 Ralph snatches 'er wig (6)
24 Bellyache - something in 15's patty? (4)

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