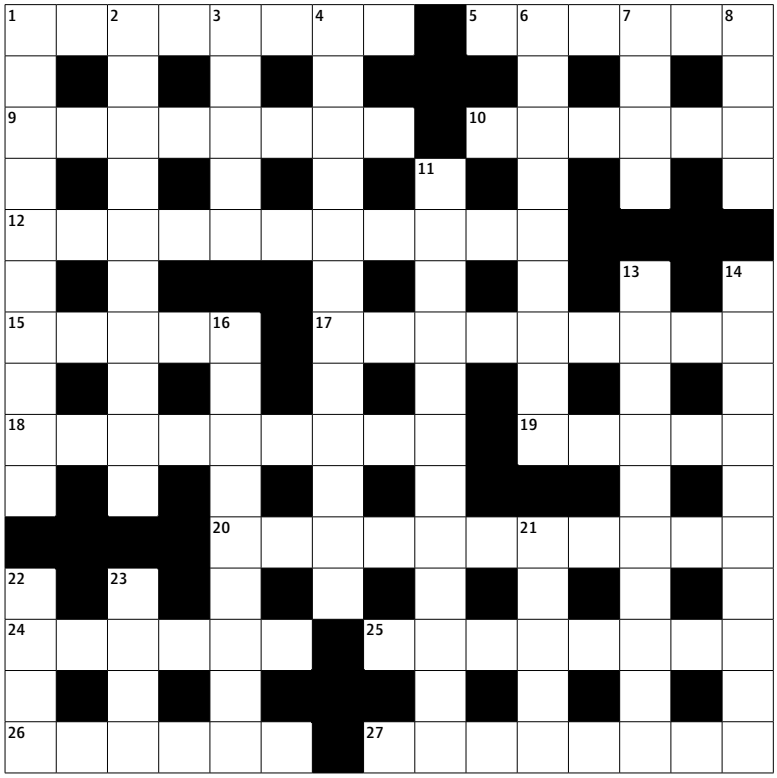
Guardian cryptic crossword No 30,153 set by Vulcan



Across

1 Man's mostly read the Evening Star (8)
5 Has lantern, keeping at an angle (6)
9 Soldiers, responsible and trustworthy (8)
10 To get straight after money is evil (6)
12 It may bind a sheaf, but it's balanced awkwardly (7,4)
15/19 Plump bird that is widely distributed (5,5)
17 Workers, one under purchaser's feet (4,5)
18 Belittle Guardian's conduct (9)
19 See 15
20 Criminal oaf's escaped, one in a dark suit (3,2,6)
24 Ideal place, you said, with lots of trimmed bushes (6)
25 After party, skirt can almost land in the Caribbean (8)
26 Goalie for manager (6)
27 Texted in confusion, no longer young (8)

Down

1 Store heard to be failing, so bargain shrewdly (5-5)
2 Deceived, as aspiring ventriloquist may be? (4,1,5)
3 Highly praise former singer that's not old (5)
4 Dangerous opponent, no beauty at the checkout (4,8)
6 Represents frosts and winds (6,3)
7 A team's pivot (4)
8 Obsessive hauled up a big fish (4)
11 Hard work all for nothing? (6,2,4)
13 Why are there boxes on the bridge table? Ominous (10)
14 Splendid get-up to show off (10)
16 Make a play of remarkably smart idea (9)
21 Steadily works gripping tool with no resistance (5)
22 Hurried departure from bed? Nonsense (4)
23 Spy from Smolensk? (4)

Solution No. 30,146

