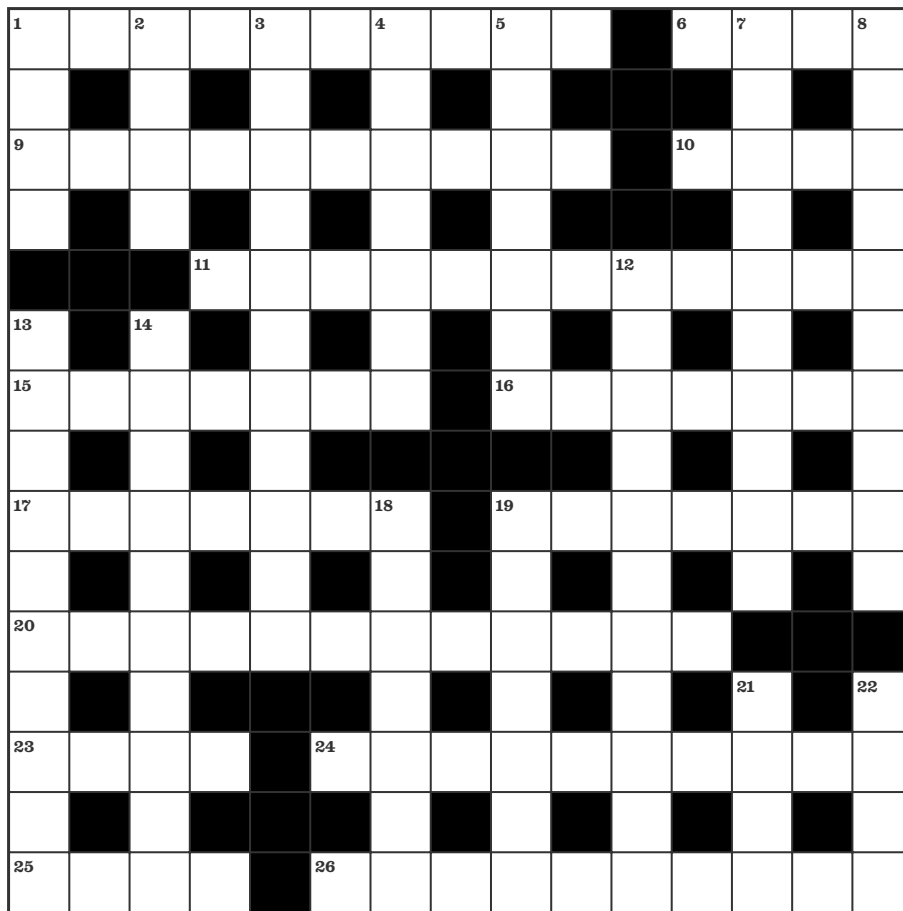


Everyman No. 4,162



Across

- 1** Who wrote fantastic Gothic *oeuvre*, never wanting energy? (6,4)
6 Chooses, therefore, to go back to grasp point (4)
9 Agree to unnerve crew (5,5)
10 Finally obtained some delightful salami - here? (4)
11 Prepay and settle rent, prithee (6,6)
15 Completely forget number Lauren arranged (7)
16 Detectives who'll prepare potatoes? (7)
17 Section of canon's to play on a loop (3-4)
19 Old boy to wait at table and make remarks? (7)
20 Subject of a swan song? (4,8)

- 23** Title socialists avidly revoked, primarily! (4)
24 We come to work? Yes and no (6,4)

- 25** Principally, Everyman, more than once, pronouncedly moderate (4)
26 Made little effort: piano sharp (that's one element) (6,2,2)

Down

- 1** Very big and very secure, but lacking function (4)
2 Sour-tempered type, conservative, upset drinking establishment (4)
3 Actor veered off and got upset about nothing (4-7)
4 Take courage and judicially try X (7)
5 Exhortation to make a nag depart? (5-2)

- 7** Red tea and ripe bananas in second home (4-1-5)
8 Bird sweeps up structure containing insects (7,3)

- 12** Players in starring roles the reader ennobled, we hear (5,6)
13 Flip over and unwisely flutter runt that's not strong (4,6)

- 14** In announcement, manifest seams of ore as can be aerially transported (10)
18 Mischievous, like element of ice-hockey game? (7)

- 19** Partially uncoils kinks in outerwear (7)
21 General idea is tucking into G&T (4)

- 22** Eager to wail (4)