

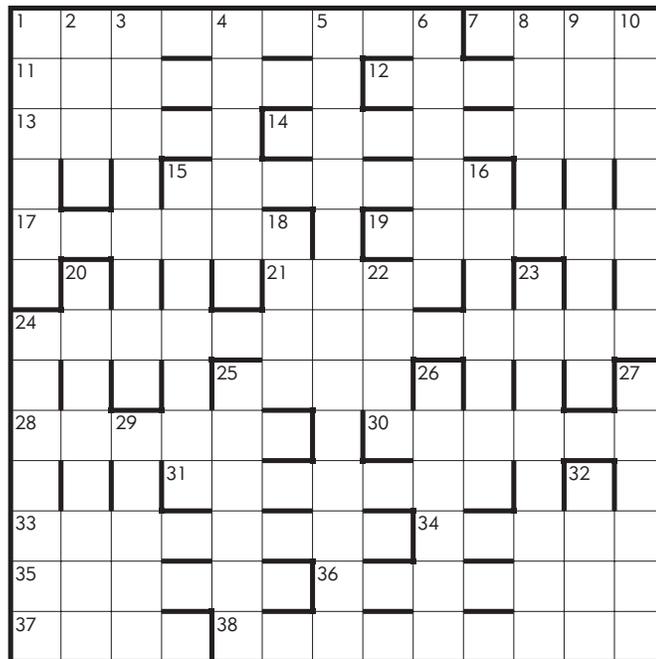
THE PUZZLER

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Web Service

This crossword reflects two aspects of life on the World Wide Web. A positive aspect is expressed by the unclued entry at 24 Across; to illustrate, Across answers are clued in run-together pairs (either Across word may be clued first). A negative aspect of the Web is expressed by the unclued entry at 5 Down; to illustrate, half of the Down answers (nine) must be entered in the grid at some loss. Six clue answers are capitalized.

Note: The instructions above are for this month's puzzle only. An introduction to clue-solving may be found online at www.theatlantic.com/issues/puzzclue.htm.



ACROSS

- 1.-38. Pulled back and newly presented proper sign for political elections (9,9)
- 7.-37. Important times are recalled by small country also undergoing reformation (4,4)
- 11.-36. One enthusiastic charge and trumpet blast over Saint Edward, a physicist (7,7)
- 12.-35. Reason for quip: I have heard someone studying Broadway lyricist (6,6)
- 13.-34. Still time for gathering poems about true American playwright (5,5)
- 14.-33. Mail received by some brews' devotees announces tipsy sled race (8,8)
- 15.-31. Fair runners dashed in races in clover, on a road with an English king (7,7)
- 17.-30. Baroque or backward-looking companies from that place you found around North Carolina (6,6)

- 19.-28. I'm leaving appraisal for property bids (they might be killers) (6,6)
- 21.-25. Outspoken sage questions opening of Rhode Island fort (4,4)

DOWN

1. Verse author of the 1800s shot (6)
2. Churchmen with guns at a racetrack? (4)
3. I am carried on trail of rainbow colors (10)
4. Assault by zig-zag path (6)
6. Sun that is most dense (8)
8. Sound before beamed assault (3,4)
9. Put too much strain on public demand (8)
10. More than one duck changed its speeds (9)
15. One sharing an opinion of mint and apple drink (9)
16. Pinched and sulfur-colored (7)
18. Hobbit's foe concealed in flower (6)
20. Arachnid comes down again, with spring returning (4,6)
22. Leader of France established party (4)
23. Tip: NL player has a protein source (4,4)
24. For an audience, pen stately vocal piece (7)
25. Listened to more Conservative author (6)
26. Mr. Howard sits in the big chair (6)
27. Rented for tiniest amount stated (6)
29. Ziegfeld quit a hot spot in the U.S. (7)
32. Walk across Neptune's trident (6)