

THE HINDU CROSSWORD 9578

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Note: Solutions to the starred clues (which carry no direct definition) share the commonality of straddling the biggest circle on earth.

Across

- 1 Shy girl's pig let loose on saint taking off in a Victorian manner (10)
- 6 Cycles made with silver and selenium from the east (4)
- 10 JBA? He is a Jack of all trades (3-3,3)
- 11 Go slowly? That is a risky move after losing the opener (5)
- 12 Night sky pattern (13)
- 14 Mani suspects hidden strain (5)
- 15 Can ethylene catalysis remove hydrogen and nitrogen from welder's gas? (9)
- 17 Capital city (old) shelters bishop framed by the French military alliance (4,5)
- 21 Organic compound in the clear upper air (5)
- 22 Camel in the desert (5,2,6)
- 24 Court excuse (5)
- 25 Ended Verdi composition in high gear (9)
- 26 Proverbial necessity for you to find (4)
- 27 Cowboy films featuring hesitation of Americans, for example (10)

Down

- 1 Poem incurs trouble in this part of the stage (10)
- 2 *Singles in our country (9)
- 3 Engineer got slit in a part of the throat (7)
- 4 *Trouble brought about by Vedic intoxicant in the beginning (7)
- 5 Take time out to sort gelatine stock (7)
- 7 *Silver sent up to a German city for the auditor (5)
- 8 Appear to give 26 Ac a 1000 fold increase at the end (4)
- 9 Correspondence with one taken in by

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- revolutionary Yankee's trickery (6)
- 13 Pistols found with the German impostors (10)
- 16 Uncontrollably pined here for asthma medicine (9)
- 18 *Sail rope ensnares Zulu chief (6)
- 19 Got across note to replace Siemens vacuum tube (7)
- 20 Mirror show (7)
- 21 *Doctors, discouraged, quit digs (7)
- 22 Pool material made from Mediterranean trees reportedly (5)
- 23 Lacking in letters of bipartisan support (4)

Solution to puzzle 9577

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