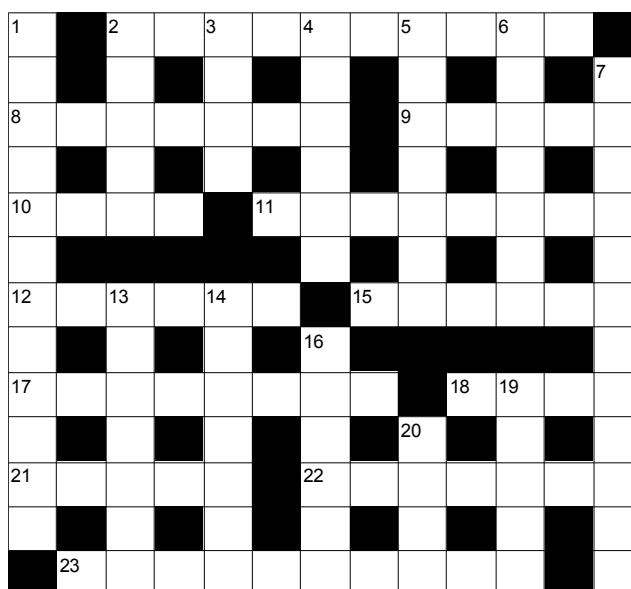


## Crossword – January 2012

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### Across

- 2 Picture quality usually broken around January 2<sup>nd</sup>? (10)
- 8 Head up for royal act of holiday preparation (7)
- 9 Mischievous and self-interested, to a degree (5)
- 10 Lost sheep in New Year, so destroyed wool (4)
- 11 Fellow intervenes when Carmichael gets drunk on New Year's Eve (8)
- 12 Some novel events at an hour before midnight (12)
- 15 All's well, but two novices go missing, too (2,4)
- 17 Gulp! Replace a thousand with unknown adolescent! (8)
- 18 Return animal feet for exchange (4)
- 21 Poet gets mined up with a nude (5)
- 22 Right to be frightened about being marked (7)
- 23 Enter river, drown – disrespectful! (10)

### Down

- 1 Rev. Spooner might usher in festivities with 'Diaper. Is that understood?' (5,3,4)
- 2 Happen again regarding mutt (5)
- 3 Travel over water for a January high street bargain, it's said? (4)
- 4 Pond in which is found the French Spike Milligan? (6)
- 5 Mother's other liquid container (7)
- 6 Resentment when Foreign Office liaises with receiver of stolen goods (6)
- 7 I lend ace copy of new reference book (12)
- 13 Hesitate about copper going to a party in republic (7)
- 14 Strengthen lift (7)
- 16 Attend super university (mixed) (6)
- 19 Nasty row about a holy man? Most unsatisfactory! (5)
- 20 A university that's always locked? (4)