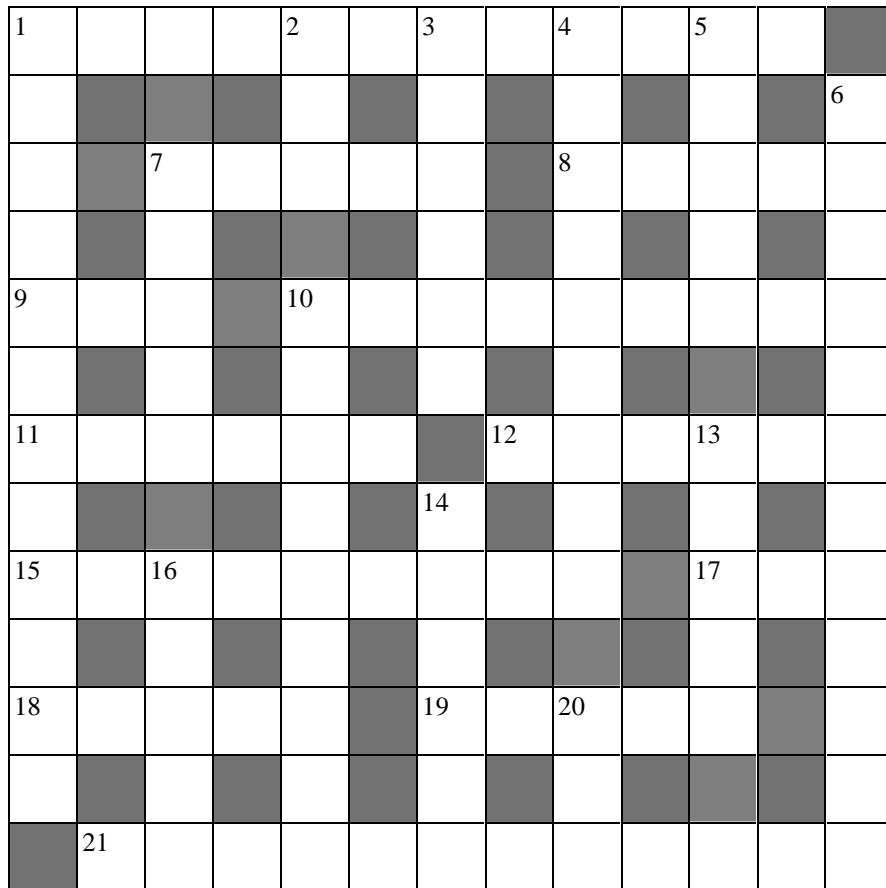


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Across

1. Repeat failure (perhaps facing life) leaves wreckage to elite worms. (3,4,5)
- 7,8 So Ken's lack ruined knitted footwear. (5,5)
9. Cloth scrap — but a syncopated piece! (3)
10. Academician following big bird to upland area dsicovers NY rap label? Sounds like a rich man! (3-1-5)
11. Bird bed; alternatively Argonaut and anti-Trojan elder. (6)
12. Doctor of theology and law, having taken Ecstasy, befuddled, only to saunter languidly about. (6)
15. Mad café bouts bring darkness and confusion. (9)
17. Court to get LvB's unnumbered scores? (3)
18. Italian coin becoming missile with nothing to follow. (5)
19. Laws about chimpanzee perhaps sporting enlarged coat collar. (5)
21. As Churchill said, bet your bottom dollar on something — tallest oak after a storm, perhaps. (5,3,2,2)

Down

1. Horniest hero involved with wild west loco! (3,4,5)
2. Tax department has thousnads to annoy. (3)
3. Antiquated government, but without the monarch, leaves severe need. (6)
4. Fog arises all over the place as bearded vulture appears. (9)
5. Former movie transparency to do better? (5)
6. Spacecraft emergency system to avoid firework! (6,6)
7. German electrical firm is enough protection! (5)
10. Applaud farm animals? Used to graft plant cuttings ... (9)
13. Succeed, discarding "Learner" badge ... and reveal cylindrical hardwood rod! (5)
14. Flower in one article by Norwegian-Welsh story-teller. (6)
16. Field replaceable unit (information technology) speeds results from labours. (5)
20. Partner in phase alternating line colour TV system? (3)