

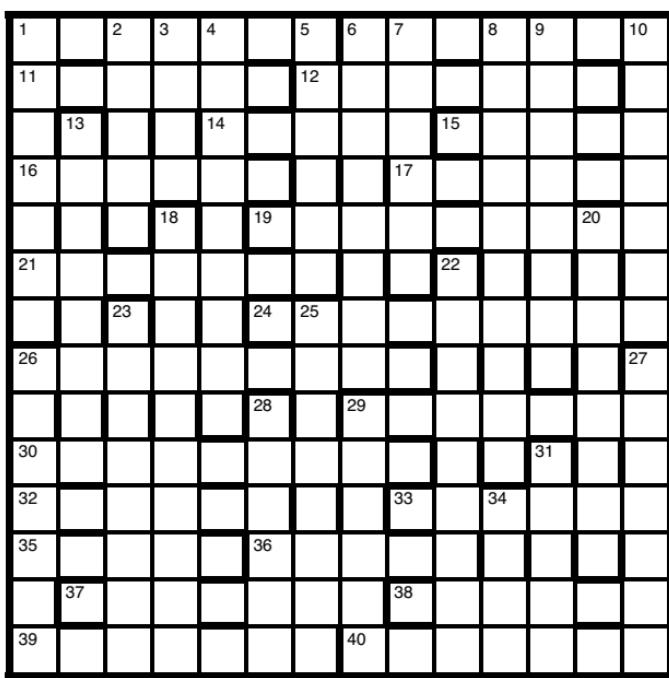
Crossword

2650: Detention for history by Mr Magoo

One of the unclued entries is responsible for a quotation that makes up the others (two of three words, one of two words).

Across

- Precious metals Cook nearly left (1,6)
- Netball players in mid-court for three quarters? (7)
- Another one bites the dust, recipe being trapped wind (7)
- Biting an animal's brought about this? (5)
- Married in mostly passionless times (5)
- Caught this lassie forming a dance party? (6)
- Top cops needing person to stop suspect (6)
- Identifiers for Ben and James (minor characters) (9)
- New ____ could be synthesised by men or women? (7)
- Farmyard bird made a meal of the Spanish cagebird (9)
- Mineral of singular red type (9)
- Salt's pay for late shift announced (7)
- Bitter calm Englishman on vacation's drunk (9)
- Think to conceal dislike without aspiration (6)
- Wicket taking your spin (6)
- Ian's pets having time for number of openings (5)
- Father takes hurried breath (5)
- Treat animal badly – this one? (7)
- Director and good man leaving Chiltern town without power (6)



Down

- Wearsider leaves capital with mother before noon (3,4)
- What's festering in rank leggings? (5)
- College maintains college processes (4)
- European imperialist revived Yankee charm (6)
- Bridge to abridge (8)
- A testee finally errs, plying this? (6)
- Disc is silver covering scrap metal (7)
- I covered ground I've broken up (8)
- I won't bite Sir Anthony and Sir Henry (8)
- Painting dismissed as potboiler? (3-5)
- Tried to slip into extremely sensuous garment (7)
- English packs note indecent whistler (7)
- Plain ones leaving place with Tube (6)

- Saw, with many points (7)
- Issue alien with a title that's rejected (7)
- Nod head, worried (6)
- Old woman traps black snake (5)
- Sound distressed to lose good horse (4)

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