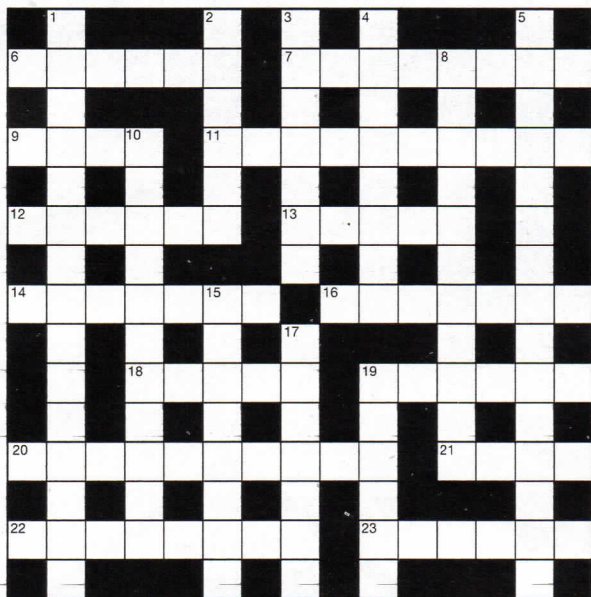


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ACROSS

- 6** Character in **3 down** whose ghost appears in a later scene (6)
7 Troublemaker, rabble-rouser (8)
9 Giant bogeyman (4)
11 Conquered, put down (10)
12 Weak, cowardly (6)
13 Implements, devices (5)
14 Angels (7)
16 (and **1 down** and **15 down**) Start of a famous speech by the eponymous 'hero' of **3 down** (2,4,1,6,5,1,3,6,2)
18 Neat, pleasing, cleverly done (5)

- 19** Sort of people who are loath to even mention **3 down** (6)
20 Rabble-rousers (10)
21 Walking stick (4)
22 There used to be one hundred of these in a French franc (8)
23 English King – crowned in 1017 – who couldn't command the tide (6)

DOWN

- 1** See **16 across**
2 As used in **3 down** (6)
3 Shakespeare play (7)
4 Addicted to alcohol (8)
5 Person who gives comfort

- and support (5,2,8)
8 Substance used by a doctor to stop a patient feeling pain during an operation (11)
10 The locale,

- habitat (11)
15 See **16 across**
17 Gabby Logan used to be one – as did Hilary Swank (7)
19 Region of France often mentioned with Lorraine (6)

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