

Across

- 1 See 8
- **5** See 22
- **8/14/1** US Secretary of State from January 2009 (born 1947) (7,6,7)
 - **9** The revolving bar of a distributor (5)
- 10 Become ground down or deteriorate (5)
- 11 (Military) close fighting during the culmination of a military attack (7)
- 12 English novelist noted for her insightful portrayals of middle-class families (1775-1817) (6)
- 14 See 8
- 17 A four-wheeled wagon that runs on tracks in a mine (7)
- 19 Valley of Peneus in Thessaly praised by ancient poets for its great beauty (5)
- 22/5 French chemist (born in Poland) who won two Nobel prizes; one (with her husband and Henri Becquerel) for research on radioactivity and another for her discovery of radium and polonium (1867-1934) (5,5)
- 23 Jewel cut in a pointed oval shape (7)
- **24** Misfortune resulting in lost effort or money (5)

Down

- 1 Fatty pinkish flesh of small salmon caught in the Pacific and Great Lakes (5)
- 2 An Eskimo hut; usually built of blocks (of sod or snow) in the shape of a dome (5)
- **3** A swing used by circus acrobats (7)
- 4 Deny or contradict (6)
- 5/21 United States tennis player who won women's singles titles in the United States and at Wimbledon (born in 1954) (0,5,5)
 - **6** (Photography) alter so as to produce a more desirable appearance (7)
 - 7 A mistake in printed matter resulting from mechanical failures of some kind (7)
- 12 (Greek mythology) the virgin goddess of the hunt and the Moon; daughter of Leto and twin sister of Apollo; identified with Roman Diana (7)
- 13 Any of several small dull-coloured singing birds feeding on seeds or insects (7)
- **15** Fourth wife of Marc Antony (7)
- 16 English novelist; one of three sisters (1818-1848) (6)
- **18** A cry or shout of approval (5)

- 25 Adornment consisting of an ornamental cloth pad worn on the shoulder (7)
- **20** Any of several chemical elements that are usually shiny solids that conduct heat or electricity and can be formed into sheets etc. (5)
- **21** See 5