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**N**o-one reading the Bull *Apostolicae Curae* with its unqualified declaration that “ordinations carried out according to the Anglican rite have been and are absolutely null and utterly void”, would guess that less than six months previously only four of the eight theologians chosen by the Holy See to investigate the question were convinced of the invalidity ...

These were the three English representatives of Cardinal Vaughan ... and a Spanish consultant of the Holy

Office ... The canonist Gasparri, later to become a cardinal and Vatican Secretary of State, voted for doubtful validity. The celebrated Church historian, Abbé Duchesne, voted for validity, as did the Italian Jesuit [Emilio] de Augustinis ... the outstanding professional theologian on the commission. De Augustinis warned his colleagues repeatedly that if Anglican orders were condemned the decision would turn out to be another Galileo case.

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THE TABLET • 15 JUNE 1918

**H**ow the Province of Baghdad has been transformed under a year's British occupation is glowingly set forth by the *Univers*, which thus describes the benefits conferred upon the country: “Vast territories, untilled for years, have been rendered fertile; roads and railways actively developed, hygiene improved, and numerous dispensaries for the people established. Trade is beginning to revive, and the farmers are working with joy, convinced

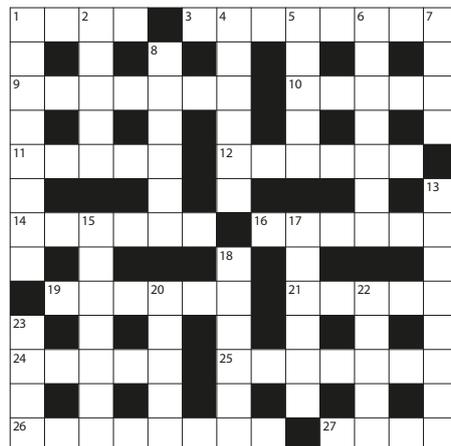
that they will reap the fruits of their labour under an honest administration. There are no regrets for the Turkish regime, for the Arabs have never been so well treated as they are today, when an era of well-being and peace has opened for them. Thanks to the development of irrigation initiated by the English, a thing unknown under the Turks, much land has been reclaimed for cultivation, and a harvest is expected such as has not been seen for ages.”

PUZZLES

PRIZE CROSSWORD  
No. 613 | Axe

Across

- 1 Symbol that's enlightening for some Christians? (4)
- 3 Eucharistic Prayer heard in Athens, a rap Noah composed ... (8)
- 9 ... affliction dogging the house of his son ... (7)
- 10 ... stang cruelly in the plague, according to some versions? (5)
- 11 MD's equivalent's taken on board Research and Development, even - it's all part of the service (5)
- 12 Pope's man diplomatically orders one in joint, just a single (6)
- 14 Serial murder is in place in part of the Middle East (6)
- 16 Henry prophet cloaked to see the king (6)
- 19 An issue both Jeroboam and Rehoboam were responsible for? (6)
- 21 Tuck in, perhaps that's the chippy man we hear (5)
- 24 Lost Mesopotamian city, according to some sources, to a two-grand commercial (5)
- 25 Saintry girl one meets after a couple of pubs (7)



- 26 First of the Syriac Church Fathers, Ted Foot, unfairly kicked out at the drop of a hat, is sick (8)
- 27 Area of battle during the Crusades? (4)

Down

- 1 Parable's stock is lacking; disconcerting yield from a prime cut (4,4)
- 2 Abraham's chum's the lead in Rogers' musical that's going around (5)
- 4 Fine land around Newcastle pertaining to the ecumenical council (6)

- 5 Godless old fiddler has no one with Ulster connection (5)
- 6 Duck a passing student needing help over hard book (7)
- 7 Mushy peas, here, in church (4)
- 8 Primate in Dublin Zoo, too, lecturer featured (6)
- 13 One in rig horse is about to take to the gathering in 23 (8)
- 15 He baker; she the patriarch's wife? (7)
- 17 Movement of High Church Anglicans to cow former president to join up (6)
- 18 Hezekiah's secretary's name the queen takes in (6)
- 20 With book, crossing a biblical country, the US version (5)
- 22 In charge, Sally Army's approach initially is in biblical character (5)
- 23 Miraculous place in the California and Nevada borders (4)

Please send your answers to:

Crossword Competition 23 June  
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● The answers to this week's puzzles and the crossword winner's name will appear in the 14 July issue.

Solution to the 2 June crossword No. 610

**Across:** 7 Eldaah; 8 Adriel; 9 Azel; 10 Eliashib; 11 Creator; 13 Deans; 15 Eglah; 17 Shishak; 20 Asmodeus; 21 Crux; 22 Melita; 23 Apphia.  
**Down:** 1 Elizur; 2 Baal; 3 Threnos; 4 David; 5 Crescens; 6 Median; 12 Anatolia; 14 Ahishar; 16 Geshem; 18 Anubis; 19 Gerar; 21 Copt.

**Winner:** Christopher Hanafin, of Adare, Co. Limerick.

The winner of the 26 May crossword No. 609 was James Lonie, of Linlithgow, Scotland. Our apologies for stating last week that no correct entries had been received.

SUDOKU | Challenging

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