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50 years ago

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Should one not have some sympathy with secular humanists who complain that the clergy now go about disguised as laymen, so that the unwary humanist never knows his enemy? Of course, the clergy can retort that they originally never meant to be marked off by their dress, that in the early Church they dressed like everybody else, and it is only they who have not changed as much as other people have.

Except for a certain sobriety

of dress, the Anglican clergy were not plainly recognisable until the last century when the Roman collar began to make its way. The late C.C. Martindale as a young priest found it a barrier to communication and used to go about in collar and tie ... This has become more ... common. I think, in itself, this is a pity, as it is a pity when populations become so nondescript, and the world is a more colourful place if different occupations dress for their parts.

100 years ago

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The disappearance, or suspension, of the Penny Post may serve to recall the controversies occasioned by the establishment of a cheap post, limited to London, in the days of Charles II. It was, perhaps, natural that an improvement of this kind should meet with ... opposition ... such a harmless and practical reform as a penny post might seem to savour of Popery, and good Protestants might have a shrewd suspicion that the Jesuits had a hand in it.

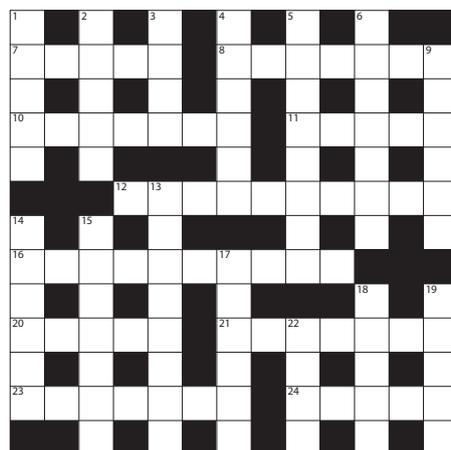
Readers who are not familiar with the wild fables that flourished when the Plot fever was at its height may well regard this suggestion as ... incredible. But there is evidence to show that the charge ... was actually made. "The porters", says Macaulay, "complained that their interests were attacked, and tore down the placards in which the scheme was announced to the public ... A cry was raised that the Penny Post was a Popish contrivance."

PUZZLES

PRIZE CROSSWORD No. 611 | Enigma

Across

- 7 It follows the ad for the Royal Air Force (5)
- 8 Make misleading claim to take care of things in advance (7)
- 10 A priest has the right to be more distant (7)
- 11 One of that holy bunch raises us to the heights (5)
- 12 Activity with which one may entertain a driving instructor (5,1,4)
- 16 A woman quietly gave incontrovertible evidence, but it was not accepted (10)
- 20 Money provided by an amusing policeman (5)
- 21 Leaves fellow to confront an oil spill for a long time (7)
- 23 To get back into the twisted tree, take direction for the wren (7)
- 24 The complexity of one may cause astonishment (5)



Down

- 1 In Canada they outlaw noise pollution (5)
- 2 Strictly speaking, it's in the ship (5)
- 3 Part of England where one may get into hot water (4)
- 4 Hotspur goes cold on trying to urge people into action (4,2)
- 5 Office worker (deceased) was a model (8)
- 6 Betrayal, but not by insider trading (4-3)
- 9 May lead to romance among archeologists (6)
- 13 No priest lacks space to build; quite the contrary! (8)

- 14 Terribly rude, loud and stupid (6)
- 15 He'd house a relative in a building with an off-putting description (7)
- 17 "Temporary Discounts" is not on at The Queen's (6)
- 18 Plump for nearly everything that kills (5)
- 19 Gather needs for a Jewish celebration (5)
- 22 He claims to have reached his half-century (4)

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● The answers to this week's puzzles and the crossword winner's name will appear in the 30 June issue.

Solution to the 19 May crossword No. 608

Across: 7 Aeacus; 8 Dennie; 10 Actaeon; 11 Kelly; 12 Noah; 13 Amana; 17 Dante; 18 Rohr; 22 Omaha; 23 Oak Tree; 24 Oamaru; 25 Couple.
Down: 1 Sagaing; 2 Martial; 3 Muses; 4 Jenkins; 5 Knell; 6 Beryl; 9 Animation; 14 Navarre; 15 Corrupt; 16 Freezer; 19 Moxon; 20 Palme; 21 Ekhof.

Winner: Mrs C. Bergin of Claremorris, Co. Mayo, Ireland.

SUDOKU | Moderate

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