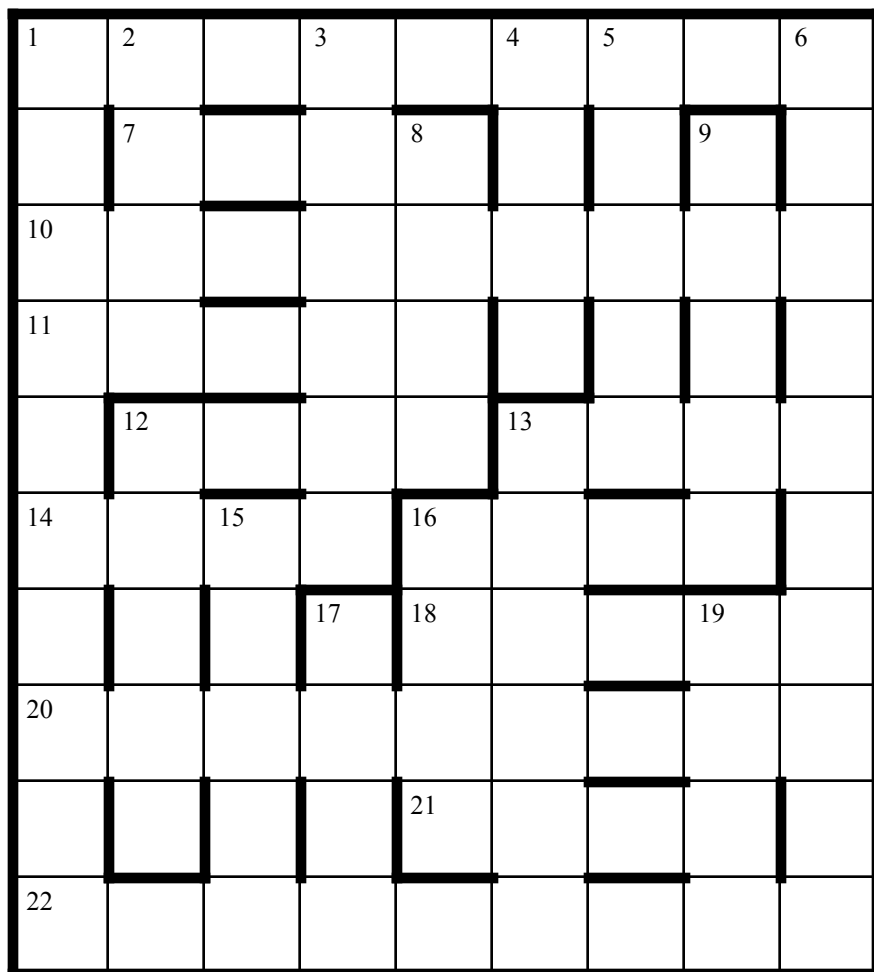


Fearful Symmetry

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This crossword tournament, and when it occurs, are causing unease to some. In this puzzle, half of the clues have an incorrect letter, which must be corrected before solving; read all the incorrect letters, then all the corrected letters (both in clue order) to see a question about this unease. Also, for each such clue, if the nth word contains the incorrect letter, shade the nth square of the answer, and also the square symmetrically opposite it by the usual crossword symmetry; the shaded areas (taking sound into account for the top and bottom ones, and shapes into account for the others) will give the answer to that question.



ACROSS

1. Puts x's on score Bess translated (9)
7. Grim witches start to liberate Bill (4)
10. Add a halogen to rotating, empty, brown, one-meter sphere (9)
11. Put hater's intro into newly arrived *The Fifth Element* (5)
12. Bring back \$1000.00 piece of sausage (4)
13. Lives of your characters from Nairobi ossify (4)
14. Other trains get stripped down (4)
16. A semiaquatic mammal's lick (4)
18. California company acquiring a plant used by Hershey (5)
20. Something sent out from Enrico's original mother country (9)
21. How "yos" would indicate a dissenting viewpoint in Germany or northeast Indiana (4)
22. Says bad things about cats in the rec room? (9)

DOWN

1. Robert ran around that man with a springy doll (10)
2. European rives damaged robe (4)
3. Hit on English rocker named Joey, Johnny, Dee Dee, or Tommy (6)
4. Alto Ian fit inside tin west of zany comic Horatio (4)
5. Bantu tongue, lacking x's, misdescribed Iowa zoos (5)
6. Notes pests breaking flat rocks in front of doors (10)
8. Bend foot to look at tattoos (4)
9. Beach's smaller counterpart is small, and also large (5)
12. Mammal erected infernally bad shopping center (5)
13. Bested Arthur in *History of the World, Part I-X* (6)
15. Place where Letizia's quern or pan is replaced (5)
16. Read, at first auspiciously, about Newton (4)
17. Thai ultimately is carried by an Italian in the direction of . . . (4)
19. . . . superior anointed after the departure of every other member (1-3)