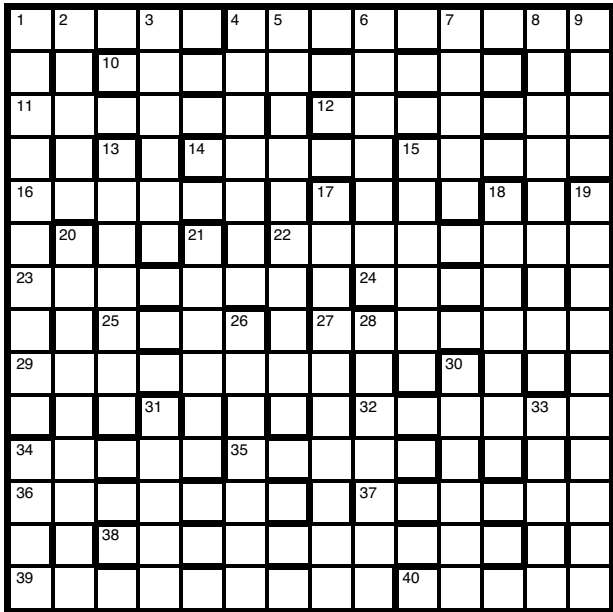


# Crossword

## 2604: Snap

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The unclued lights (one hyphenated and one pair) are of a kind.



### Across

- 4 Swollen state of tailless bird's head (9)  
 10 Evil mix of love and malice (10)  
 14 Cox for Hereford, perhaps? (5)  
 16 Henry and John's outcry (6)  
 22 Cow strays from foaming watercourse, maybe marked with X (8)  
 23 False topaz from urban area by river without divided youth hostel (7)  
 24 Nostradamus, say, translated Erse (4)  
 25 Like a couple dating, wasting time (4)  
 27 Insubstantial tune arranged round America (7)  
 34 Moans at this bridge (5)  
 35 Keeps quiet, it seems, having approval to act (3-2)  
 37 Lots of wives hurry to M&S (6)  
 38 In reality, tiny abstainer has a liking for chocolate (5,5)  
 40 Chronieler's reported looks (5)

### Down

- 1 Improvised links removed from shirts? (3,3,4)  
 2 Instant reminiscences of Disney animation (5)  
 3 About time, ancient stories are often thus (6)  
 5 Illiterate and without post? (10)  
 6 Notes about lake-beings, once (7)  
 7 Welshman and Scotsman clash over nymph (5)

- 8 Comatose, yet wonderstruck (9)  
 9 Scout round eastern salmon river (4)  
 13 Vintage model – it crashed (3-4)  
 15 Carnivore hunting yak and elephant noticed antelope at first (6)  
 17 Political idealist disturbed skier and totty (10)  
 18 Source of metal and stones, we're told, yielding extinct bison (7)  
 19 Takes stock again of Spooner's female 24s (10)  
 20 Curate's parish with active air about it (9)  
 21 Gracie's areas of interest (6)  
 26 Man's address includes New York Cathedral (7)  
 28 Gunman's past claim spoken of as far as one can see? (7)  
 31 Forerunner of the oboe has developed with Munroe, for starters (5)  
 34 One's body image? (4)

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