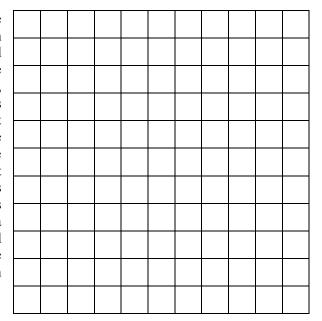
Puzzle #193 — June 2017 "Seesaw"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to seven letters, six are capitalized, and one is foreign) then enter them in the grid one after another in the same order as their clues. starting in the upper left corner. Across words that don't end at the right continue on the next row, and down words that don't end at the bottom continue in the next column. Five across words and four down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is omitted. Those nine letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words, spell a three-word phrase related to the title and another three-word phrase hidden in the correctly completed grid. Thanks to Kevin Wald for test-solving and editing this puzzle.



Across

- 1. Guardian dog before a rocky hill
- 2. Studies with cheer and comfort
- 3. Sailor thrashing rascal
- 4. Kramer returned note
- 5. First ancestor with a point of view
- 6. Make old city gloomy
- 7. Quit wearing a ring
- 8. Guy with a soft drink
- 9. Censure for rope getting snarled
- 10. Weary, troubled editor deleting
- 11. Waiter dropping rare cut
- 12. Cultivate French extension
- 13. Got teeth into a Kennedy fitted with a restraining device
- 14. Left Ellery going around counter
- 15. Round vessel ultimately became egg-shaped
- 16. Gold and lead smelted in trial
- 17. Laval's middle name
- 18. Large menu trashed as a bore
- 19. Operator's age
- 20. Subset of children in Italy
- 21. Everything in Spanish is fuss
- 22. Made noise peeling orange
- 23. Islander's orbit veering north
- 24. Time exposed and talked up

Down

- 1. Ducal mix-up with Earl for a name
- 2. Group includes Rod and Mark
- 3. Book train in Paris for brother
- 4. Recover a diode incorporating a broadcaasting device
- 5. Village liar's misinterpretation is spreading rapidly over the internet
- 6. Stark, ragged, limestone landscape
- 7. Ivan sat awkwardly for a painting
- 8. Hymenopteran beginning to taste edible root
- 9. Interest in voice judge
- 10. To be very hungry will have very "in" look
- 11. King or teacher
- 12. Paddling once around a boat
- 13. Evil spirit of bad one turning 50 into 500
- 14. Conrad condemned impartiality
- 15. Anuran heard and drove obliquely
- 16. Root wildly for fighting bull
- 17. Charlie's proposal for treasury
- 18. Outer limits of notation define zenith
- 19. Torn charter
- 20. Wrong lead, right tree
- 21. Cause doer to get accustomed
- 22. Spin right instead of left in drink
- 23. Muse is in over at Olga's
- 24. Back room for Othello, for example
- 25. Mangle crushed earth in a blend