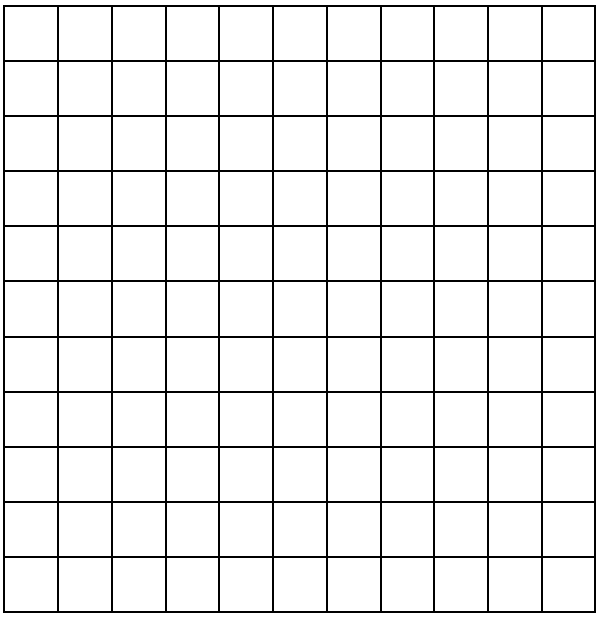
Puzzle #143 — April 2013 "In Transit"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to eleven letters, four are capitalized, one is foreign, and two consist of two words) 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. Four across words and four down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is omitted. Those eight letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words, spell a word related to the mystery entries. Thanks to Kevin Wald for test-solving and editing this puzzle.



Across

1. *Mystery entry*
2. Cleric's mutt getting fed
3. Terry goes astray following a highway
4. Make a gift of top and middle of flower
5. Get to know king and knight
6. Small mark or depression,
7. . . . once risen, is infused with vivid red
8. Skyrocketing rates a shocker
9. Ignorance about a Mediterranean seaport
10. Report about Western influence
11. Claire rudely grabbing papa's copy
12. Wait to get a bit of everything for a fabric
13. An assembly of ample numbers
14. Head neurologist started going crazy
15. Queen's uncle taking bishop's place in exchange for 25¢
16. Mix mud with air to extract metal
17. Turn right keeping left for a song
18. Carbon-level madness
19. Everyone in Mexico fusses
20. Settler of Reno's going back with ring
21. Sword held back by keeper
22. Chinese fish shelter

Down

1. *Mystery entry*
2. Intrusion of road into estuary disturbed a repository of riches
3. Toss inert mineral
4. Taking a nap? Wake up, please
5. Part of unquotable word meaning "whereto" in Latin
6. Father engages tenor in idle chatter
7. Dog swallows large piece of chewing tobacco
8. Chauncey managed deep water at first
9. Cleo's mad for Nat
10. Laxative brew contains oxygen
11. Garment initially hard to make adjustments to
12. Concerning free rein
13. Participant has disrupted French transit system
14. Current Native American is sharp
15. Jolly old man of pleasant aspect
16. Coin an expression about lacking sense or substance
17. Loudly summons devils and eels
18. Shop in west Oregon
19. Agreed with forger being beheaded and dismembered
20. More recent pitcher follows ninth starter
21. Insanely angry about naked brat in storehouse
22. Russian vehicle manufacturer embraced by observer astrologer