The generalist by Didymus

ACROSS
1 The byname of the Indian cricketer Ranji, who bought Ballynahinch Castle in County Galway (9,2,2)
12 Victorian settlement on Hackney Downs for Great Eastern Railway workers building a branch line (7,5)
13 Inscrutable, according to Sir Walter Scott (7)
14 Spectators (9)
15 GWR locomotive, 3440, the first steam engine to exceed 100 mph (4,2,5)
16 3rd century BC Greek poet a favourite (11)
20 Re-addresses (9)
21 Eric Linklater (7)
24 Small beer (2,4,6)
25 Assumed name 26 Duane Eddy 27 Venae cavae 28 Syracuse 29 Madrepore 30 Road agent 33 Smidgen 34 Machito

DOWN
2 Leif Erikson (3,6)
3 Leaky Cauldron (4,6)
4 Morpeth (5)
5 Annie Laurie (7)
6 Dreyfusard (7)
7 Tripitaka (9)
8 for a fall (3,6)
9 Father and son Greek physicians at the time of Nero (11)
19 A former Stannary town in Cornwall (9,2,9)
22 Flos Las, Thirsk or Musselburgh, eg (10)
23 Setting right (10)
28 Legal expression when the king approved of a bill passed by the legislature (2,3,4,2)
30 Ayshire resort and ferry port to Arran (9)
32 Large fishes related to bullheads (3,6)
33 A neutral organic chemical compound notable for its carcinogenic properties (11)
35 The Norfolk birthplace of the writer George Borrow (4,7)
37 Movement advocating the violent overthrow of government (9)
38 Continuous; cursive (7)
39 England cricket captain who succeeded Alec Stewart in July 1999 (6,7)
40 Tradition in US baseball when spectators stand up and take a breather (7,6,7)

How to enter

The generalist prize
The winner receives a copy of Countrymen: The Untold Story of How Denmark’s Jews Escaped the Nazis, by journalist and former diplomat Bo Lidegaard (Atlantic Books, £22, hardback). Lidegaard vividly describes how 95 per cent of Denmark’s Jewish population was smuggled out of the Nazi-occupied country during an organised two-week campaign by fellow citizens, saving them from imminent deportation to concentration camps. “Magnificent... An extraordinary story”—Michael Ignatiou

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Rules
Send your solution to answer@prospect-magazine.co.uk or Countryman/Enigmas, Prospect, 25 Sackville Street, London W1S 5AX. Include your email and postal address. All entries must be received by 8th September. Winners will be announced in our October issue.

Last month’s winners
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Enigmas & puzzles: David Johnson, Oxford
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