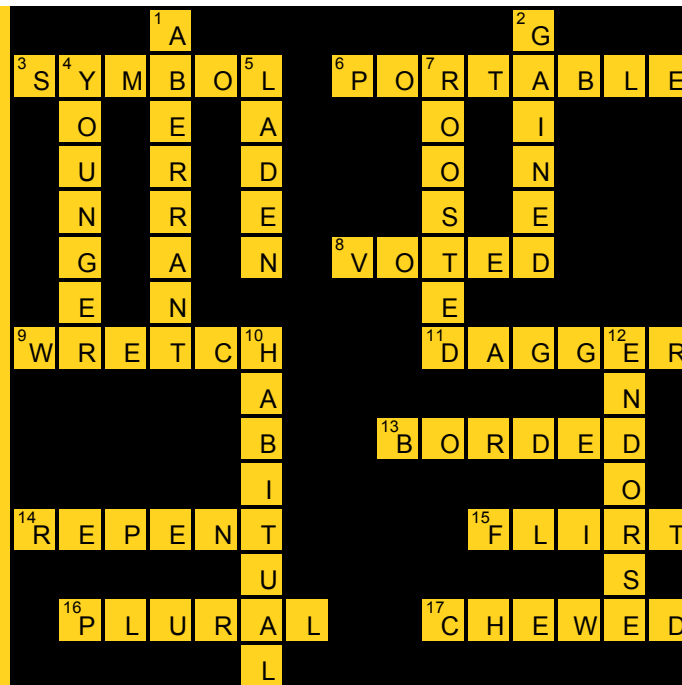


CRYPTIC#5



Across

- 3 Image stood for another = **SYMBOL** = symbolically curtailed in the end.
- 6 Anagram ('cooked' Boar pelt) = **PORTABLE** = carried with ease.
- 8 Devoted ('endlessly' DEVOTED) anagrammed('changed' DEVOT) = **VOTED** = choice at the poles.
- 9 Concealed **wrestler's** **itch** = **WRETCH** = a miserable person.
- 11 Anagram ('Otherwise 'ragged') = **DAGGER** = if pointed , sharp.
- 13 Tabled = **BORDED** = anagrammed('modified ' bed rod = BORDED)
- 14 To express regret = **REPENT** = 'hides' repressed open thoughts
- 15 To toy superficially with = **FLIRT** = 'initially' feels like it reveals teasingly.
- 16 ('endlessly' Plurality) = **PLURAL** = composed of more than one kind.
- 17 Meditated over = **CHEWED** = (sheep full grown(=EWE) in part of child?) = **CHEWED** .

Down

- 1 Anagram(' disorderly 'bare rant) = **ABERRANT** = deviating from truth, in an abnormal way.
- 2 Again, ('after the first' = AGAIN(then 'with Ed') = **GAINED** = have acquired the advantage.
- 4 Not as advanced = **YOUNGER** = ('concealed' barely our nature generally) = **YOUNGER**.
- 5 Anagram('damaged' eland) = **LADEN** = slowed the already well encumbered pack animals.
- 7 Asleep on a perch = **ROOSTED** = Anagram(' kind of' Eds root)
- 10 Established by long use = **HABITUAL** = (she) ('concealed' her habit ritually).
- 12 To support the candidate = **ENDORSE** = Anagram('oddly' red nose).