ACROSS

- 1 Indirect allusion (11)
- **9** London cricket ground (5)
- **10** Clarify (7)
- **11** Bird noise (7)
- **12** Foolish (5)
- **13** Freight vessel (9,4)
- 16 Santa's helpers (5)
- **18** W African republic (7)
- 20 Reprobates (7)
- 21 Measure of length (5)
- 22 Gun's device to prevent accidental use (6,5)

DOWN

- 2 Alien from the Red Planet (7)
- 3 Narrow intense beam of light (5)
- 4 Inexpensive, but of dire quality (5,3,5)
- 5 More intoxicated (7)
- **6** US president before Trump (5)
- **7** Popular yogurt flavour (5,6)
- 8 Having great difficulty (2,4,5)
- **14** Soothe (7)
- **15** Religious nonconformist (7)
- **17** View (5)
- 19 Third Greek letter (5)

