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Across

- 1. Rushes making a sound like weeds. (5)
- 4. Earnest but gutless bridge position. (4)
- 5. Nero, imperious tyrant, started quibble. (3)
- 8. Restrain a Spanish sovereign. (5)

Down

- 1. Clan member replaced barn items. (9)
- 2. Seabirds fly around part of ship. (5)
- 3. Hunter rose to face the field. (3)
- 6. Center cut steak, a refreshing meal. (3)
- 7. Assist without a track action. (3)