## A WORD SQUARE OF THE FUTURE

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Captain's Log: Circumvolitating Rigil 3-D. Not much doing. Teleporter on the fritz again. Used logocomputer to build a double 9-square (flawed). All solidform, several strained/obsolete terms.

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COMENSEST as in 'thou comensest', from comens, an old spelling of 'commence' (OED)

ALINEARER an awkward comparative of alinear, not unidimensional (KSD)

RECTOTOME a knife for cutting a rectal stricture (Web 2)

PAROTITIS inflammation of the salivary glands (Web 2)

ENOCERINS crystalline waxy substances extracted from the corks of certain wine vessels, from eno- + cerin (KSD)

TAMERICAL brandname of a hyperstimulant ('with America at heart' slogan), marketed by Tamenco, the TransAmerican Energization Company (UTD)

ITALICISE to print in italics (RHD)

NOTECASES pocketbooks for banknotes (Web 2)

GRASSLESS devoid of grass (Web 2)

CARPETING covering with a carpet (Web 2)

OLEANATOR variant of oleonator, a device for removing oilwaste in the rotajoints of some cybertrons, from oleo- + eliminator (KSD)

MICROMATA a plural of micromaton, an extremely small robot, from micro- + automaton (KSD)

ENTOCELES internal tumours or hernias (Web 2)

NEOTERICS the study of modern things (OED)

SATIRICAL severe in ridiculing men, manners or things (Web 2)

EROTICISE to render or make erotic (RHD)

SEMINASES enzymes in alfalfa (Web 2)

TRESSLESS without long locks of hair (Web 2)

KSD Kirk's Scientific Dictionary (2892); OED Oxford English Dictionary (1989); RHD Random House Dictionary (1987); UTD Universal Tradename Directory (2920), Web 2 Webster's New International (1934)