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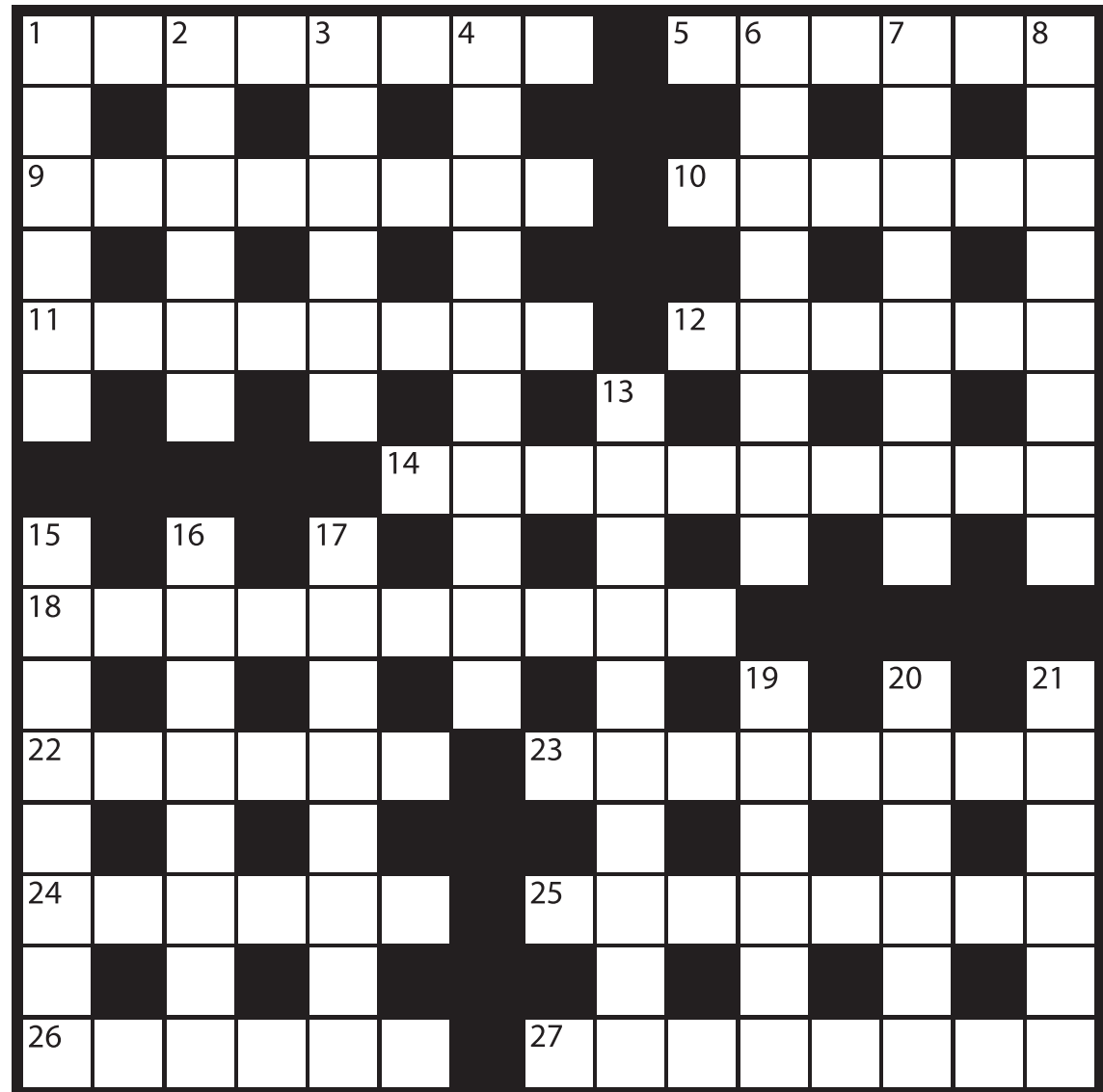
- 1 Row about stopping particular operation (8)
- 5 Emperor's vehicle holding water back (6)
- 9 Friendly barmaid oddly ignored guy (8)
- 10 Folk from kingdom put metal in trees (6)
- 11 Smarter Conservative party backing the Queen (8)
- 12 Soldiers trade in suffering (6)
- 14 They serve on boards, suffering some strain (5,5)
- 18 Iodine compound originally used on patients after surgery (10)
- 22 One-dimensional king entertains at home (6)
- 23 Procure money after swallowing tea (8)
- 24 Issue about Saturn's fifth ring round planet (6)
- 25 Wagon bearing freight (8)
- 26 Old man without time for chat (6)
- 27 Unnecessary obelisks close to Thames (8)

DOWN

- 1 Country fellow was in charge of church (6)
- 2 Business I ran affected by wind (6)
- 3 Surrenders pages (6)
- 4 Officer in Spitfire lit cigarettes (6,4)
- 6 Pollution caused by electricity I consume (4,4)
- 7 Carelessly lost knee bones (8)
- 8 Turbulent fights, but not with son (8)
- 13 Yield from a mine cutting copper after hours (10)
- 15 Piece of equipment able to penetrate surface (8)

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- 16 With sides splitting, hands in beer project (5,3)
- 17 At gates regularly opened by Fat Controller (8)
- 19 Heartlessly disfigured chicken (6)
- 20 Bar containing silver and slate (6)
- 21 Scuffles appear to arise involving the Spanish (6)