

**ACROSS**

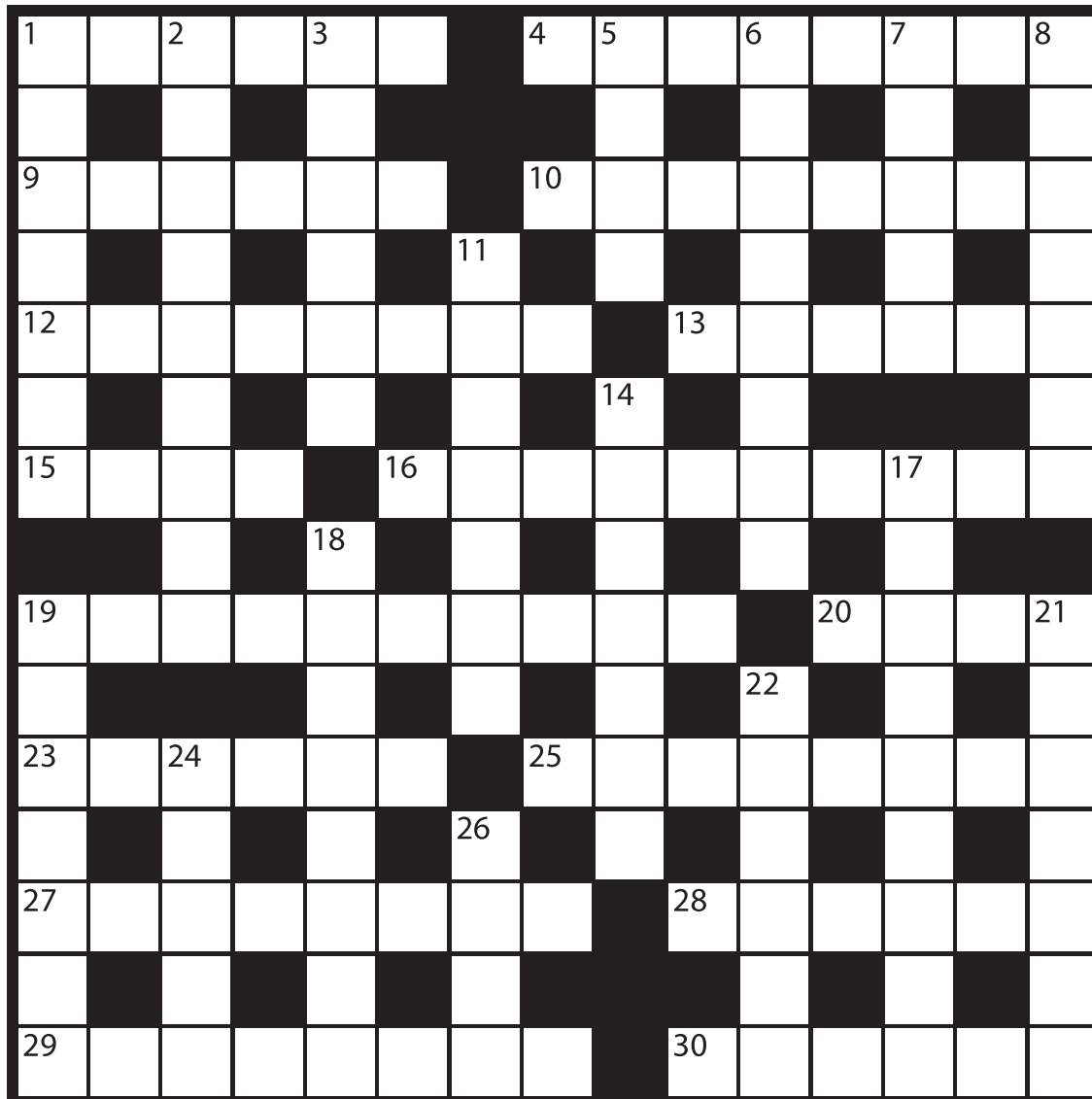
- 1 The charm of mother's bed? (6)  
 4 Yell about critic oddly getting the quicker route (8)  
 9 Good drinks reduced to powder (6)  
 10 Seeming reliable, and at home with golf (8)  
 12 Organised travel after popular break (8)  
 13 Dancing permitted by graduate student (6)  
 15 The last but one round house (4)  
 16 Dior designed with people for this priestly rite (10)  
 19 Gather no egg - crate broken (10)  
 20 Takes off, dismissing odd characters from say, press (4)  
 23 Party chief's speciality (6)  
 25 Agents must cover ceremony and run standards (8)  
 27 Significant, with no right to be powerless (8)  
 28 This may be taken from library in great quantities (6)  
 29 Work out tax (8)  
 30 This is why broadcast is contrary to accepted belief (6)

**DOWN**

- 1 Cups full of spirit for this fool (7)  
 2 Athlete and patrons upset about surroundings of stadium (9)  
 3 Title-holders and Queen caught in flurry of snow (6)  
 5 Band needing house work (4)  
 6 Legs it, as wary struggling around a Parisian (4,4)  
 7 Sick after church - getting a cold? (5)  
 8 Tense gent hit out (7)  
 11 Onslaught from lawyers with anger (7)  
 14 Is Conservative support for hospital dead and buried? (7)

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- 17 Pester umpire, not moving (9)  
 18 Aesthetically pleasing skill - first in charge (8)  
 19 Cipher protecting a German painkiller (7)  
 21 Imposing condition on disheartened laity (7)  
 22 Tried hard, putting recipe in cooker (6)  
 24 Sort of syrup man eats quietly (5)  
 26 Duck rising star's responsibility (4)