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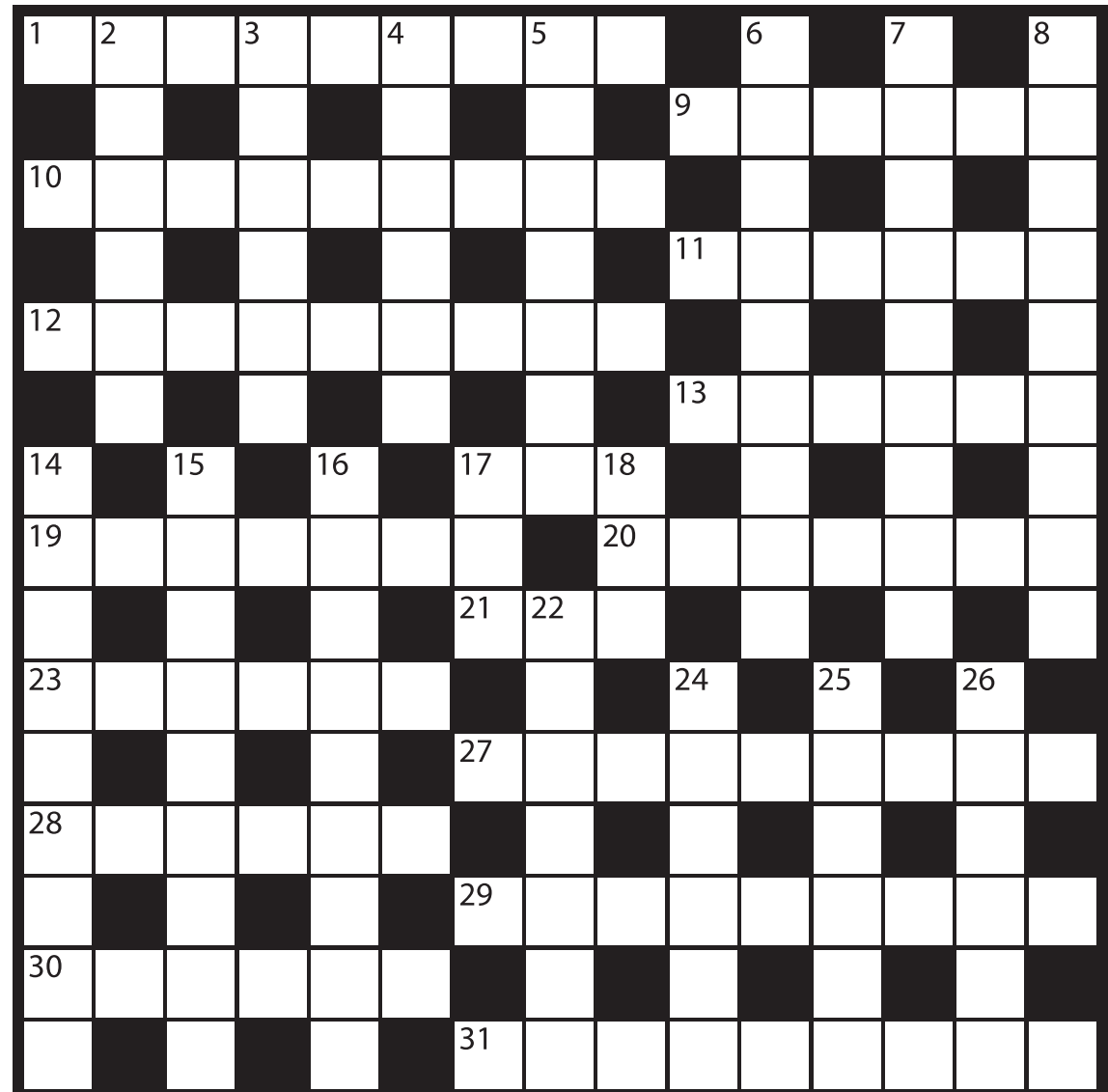
- 1 And 21ac Strip character who helped put the West in copies! (9,3)
9 He used to direct the champion (6)
10 It's a thriller of a commercial initiative (9)
11 Meagre boxes for egghead (6)
12 Took too many deliveries at parties with journalist (9)
13 "The Moving Finger" on the Edinburgh stage! (6)
17 Consumed a note (3)
19 Lots here receive bad caution (7)
20 Gets old boy and saint in trouble (7)
21 See 1 (3)
23 I talk nonsense about Hook? (6)
27 Put off the male cleaner (9)
28 Such a creed is pleasant for two points (6)
29 Cabinet has them - or churches (9)
30 Some rode defiantly and wore away (6)
31 Discard players - and a group of others (4,5)

DOWN

- 2 Conclusion I have taken for vegetable (6)
3 Writer has an attempt at lines (6)
4 Share of No 1 sailor, in reverse (6)
5 Anguish of fellows in the wrong (7)
6 Contrasting with sad 23? (9)
7 Natural sin with nitric acid (9)
8 This 3 needn't scan - but it won't cost nothing! (4,5)
14 Go in after fish and chips (9)
15 Cares about credit with cry of pain - it keeps fliers away (9)
16 Lengths for detectives adopting position (9)

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- 17 In addition to headless group (3)
18 One 1 for a very long time (3)
22 In the morning, Heather goes to the country (7)
24 One other rotten village in Scotland (6)
25 Article on entrances for stones (6)
26 Where to put crossword answers for girl (6)