

## ACROSS

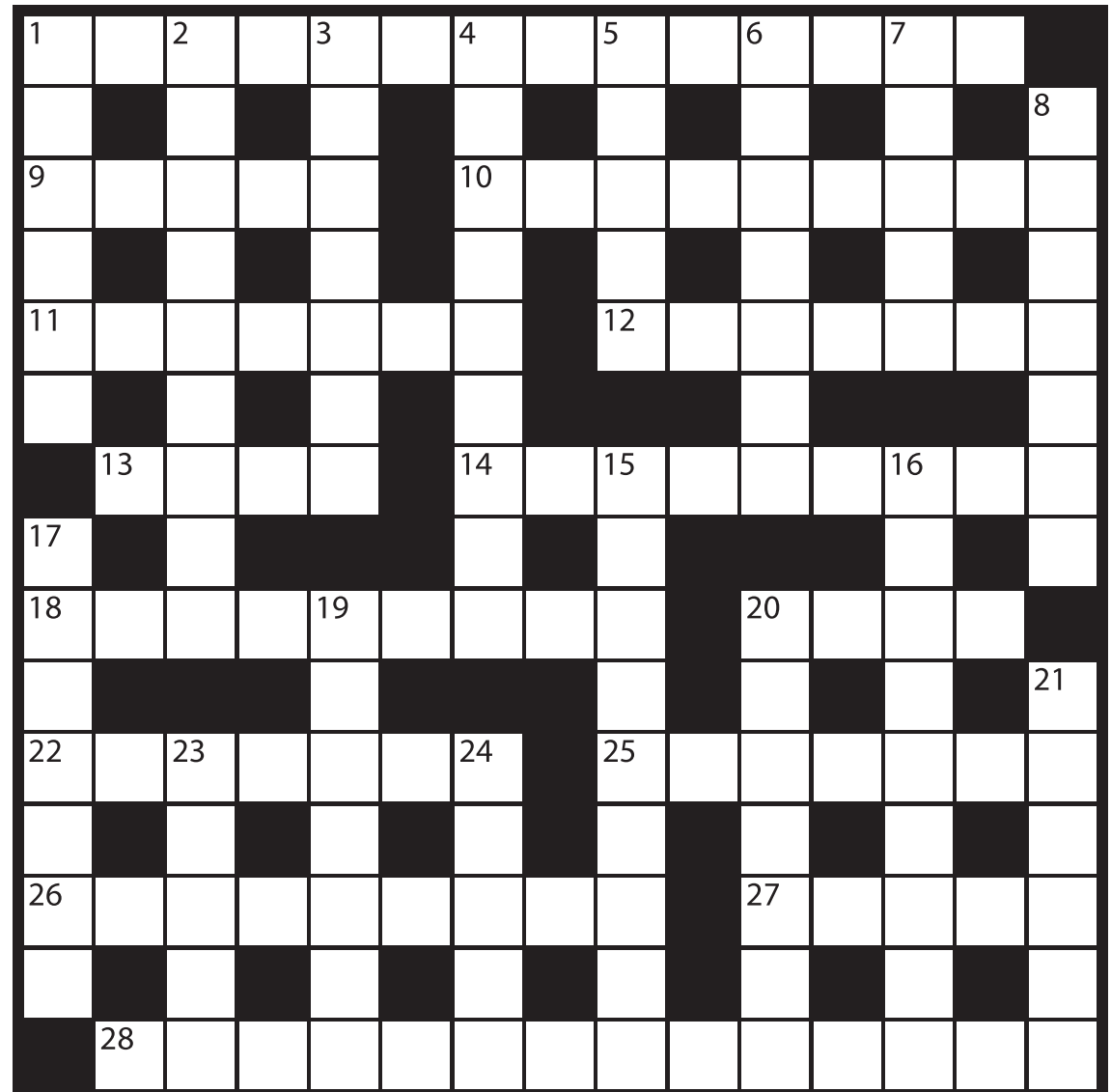
- 1 Army officer with object having a range of uses (7-7)
- 9 Sit with a retiring storyteller (5)
- 10 Ailing aunt to recover, of course (9)
- 11 Office gadget wrecked plaster (7)
- 12 A name is confused – result of this? (7)
- 13 Huge man, terrible rogue, missing university (4)
- 14 Daughter in seaplane crash at coastal pavement (9)
- 18 Chose rare variety of steeplechasing animal (9)
- 20 Fine painter reveals tropical plant (4)
- 22 Seems likely answer – soft pieces of fruit (7)
- 25 Over the top maiden in former plant (7)
- 26 Overwhelmed when one religious woman had romantic meeting (9)
- 27 Disprove by contradicting awkward brute (5)
- 28 Here's worst food served up at Robin Hood's hideout (8,6)

## DOWN

- 1 Green is aerated, going over river (6)
- 2 Unhappily coasting round lake, homesick (9)
- 3 About to beat with disgust (7)
- 4 Organise a relay, run for about 354 days! (5,4)
- 5 Some result, rampaging excessively (5)
- 6 Pariah moving round the north – one's vicious (7)
- 7 Auctions off prison rooms, we hear (5)
- 8 Dry gate turned and turned (7)
- 15 Looked after before, or just put on an act? (9)
- 16 Nice bee, a large sort (9)

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- 17 Wandering boy catches rodent (7)
- 19 Crowd hiding a rook from collector (7)
- 20 Make oration to Canadian province (7)
- 21 Swallow morsel outside, then scam (4,2)
- 23 Pressure that hurt bag (5)
- 24 Arranged to fight (3,2)