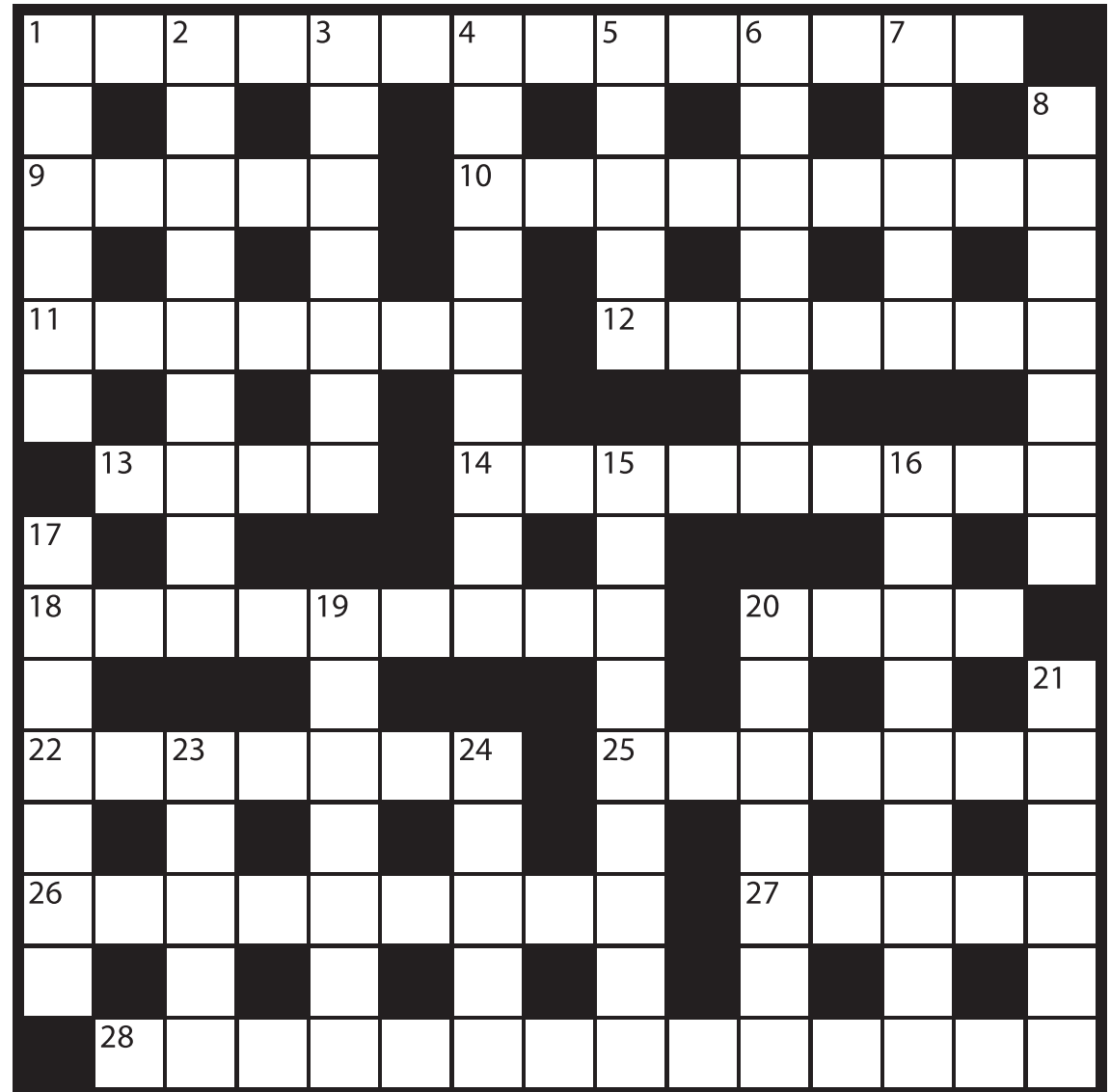


ACROSS

- 1 Sadly, rocks delay colonists (14)
- 9 Caught hooligan with blow (5)
- 10 Rear trooper is struggling (9)
- 11 Higher, having left Rio dancing! (7)
- 12 Force a boy in fast time (7)
- 13 An exit inside building at Entebbe (4)
- 14 Heat-retaining device developed from solar unit (9)
- 18 Working in the theatre? (9)
- 20 Dispense liquid from the pump ourselves (4)
- 22 Guaranteed no doubt in the finish (7)
- 25 Share of unfinished tea plantation is restricted (7)
- 26 One caring, strangely, to show lack of knowledge (9)
- 27 Near a dilapidated stadium (5)
- 28 Stay cheerful – that's bad advice for a boxer (4,4,4,2)

DOWN

- 1 Compliant medic on French island (6)
- 2 Piece falling on flask we repaired (9)
- 3 Preliminary plan exposed, row following (7)
- 4 Place umpires in car (9)
- 5 Failure to interpret roles (5)
- 6 Warm current part of weather? Maldives! (7)
- 7 I am embraced by fat man of property (5)
- 8 Nanny by a railway store (7)
- 15 These rigs upset holidaymaker (9)
- 16 Chunter on about cudgel (9)
- 17 It produces syrup from ship ore (7)



- 19 Breeze to subside for parachute delivery (7)
- 20 Just uttered a word of surprise on seeing Egyptian king (7)
- 21 Make off last month with power unit (6)
- 23 Perceive meaning (5)
- 24 Animal god in mix-up (5)