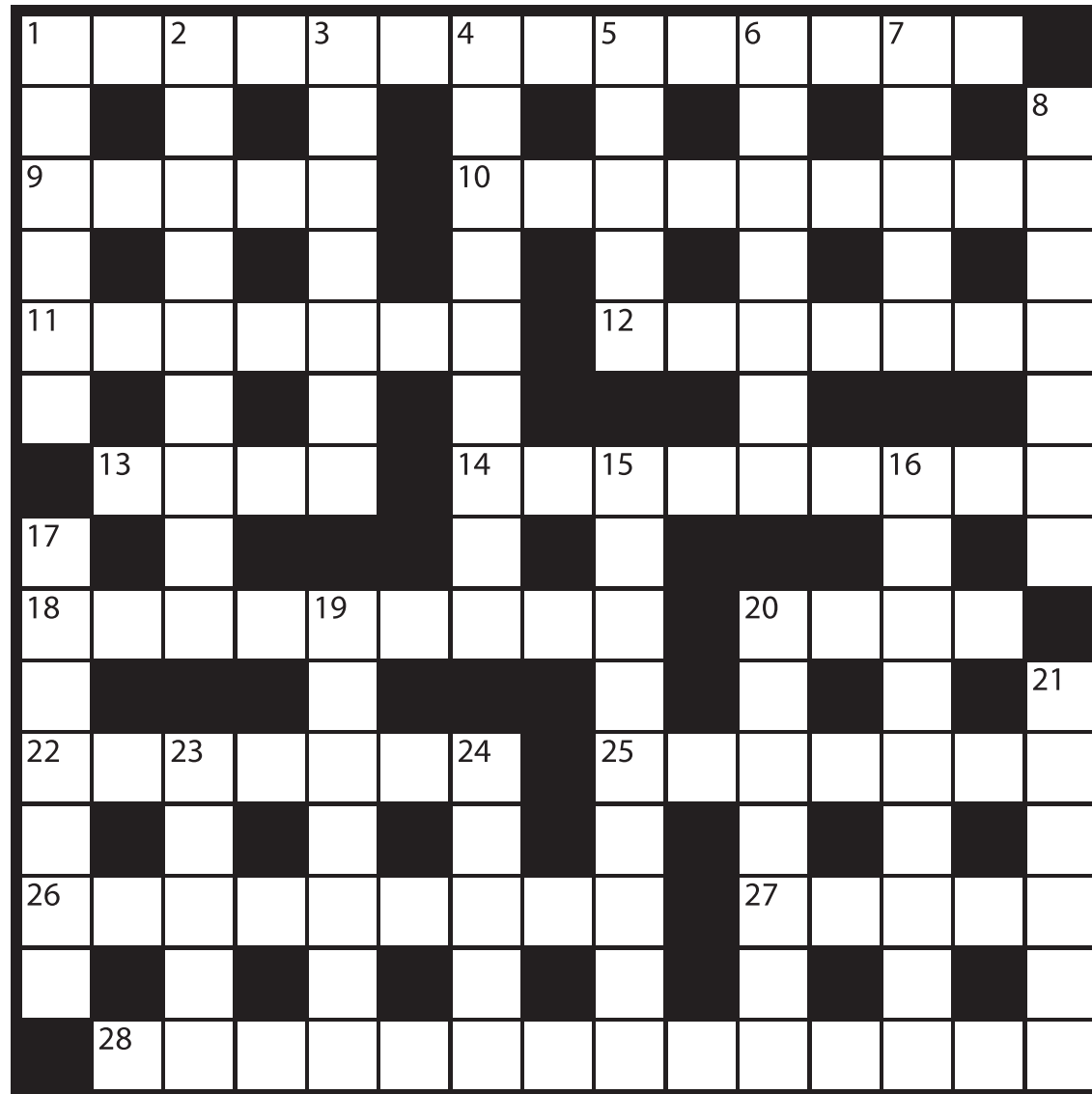


**ACROSS**

- 1 'Othello' differs from a novel (4,2,3,5)
- 9 Until defeated, retained Spanish accent (5)
- 10 Sees Latin translation as most important (9)
- 11 Short and oddly conical (7)
- 12 General hospital room sheltered from the wind (7)
- 13 Somewhat sec, a vapid wine (4)
- 14 Benefit from a point scored on the tennis court? (9)
- 18 Works out in test I'm a test failure (9)
- 20 In Jerusalem, a gift for the Wise Men (4)
- 22 Non-believer attending robbery (7)
- 25 Declare animal went back to stream (7)
- 26 Place umpires in car (9)
- 27 Gold garland below raised window (5)
- 28 Natural phenomenon such as the Blackpool Illuminations! (8,6)

**DOWN**

- 1 Leading lady at cathedral recently (6)
- 2 Hesitant cattle run off (9)
- 3 South Pacific islands seen from a canoe I upset (7)
- 4 Incisive time, right to bewitch (9)
- 5 Behead animal to make a stand (5)
- 6 Light learnt to go off at noon (7)
- 7 Local doesn't start to back musical (5)
- 8 Top performing student moved sideways as promised (7)
- 15 Emperor to save Spain from ruin (9)
- 16 Divine swimmer? (5-4)
- 17 Reason to ease cub out (7)



- 19 Ragtime adapted for Simenon's detective (7)
- 20 Radio man, Romanic, perhaps (7)
- 21 Lives in centre of Cheddar, place in Somerset (6)
- 23 Trendy Post Office animal (5)
- 24 Foolish talk of journey to the East (5)