

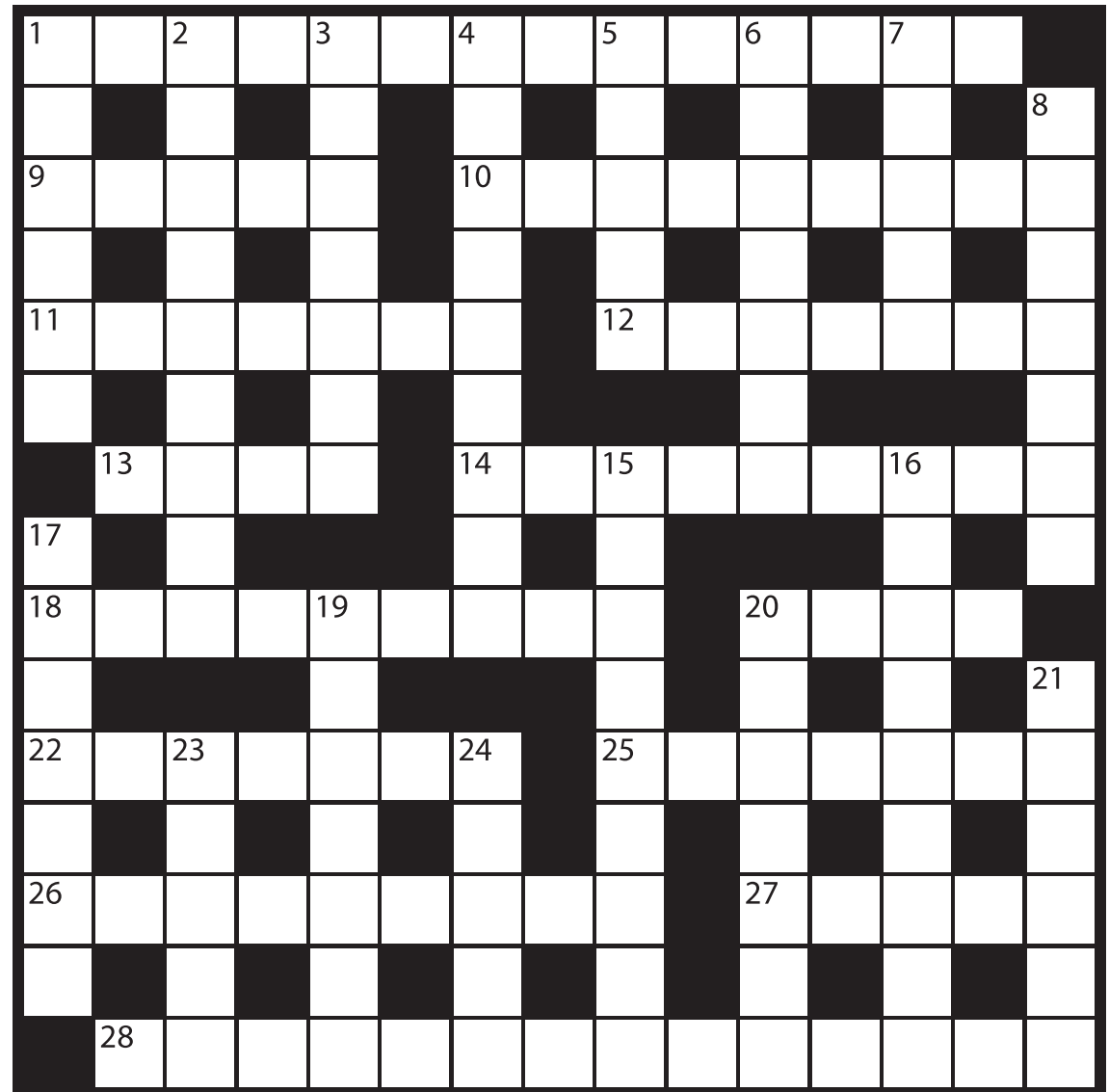
## ACROSS

- 1 Careless lads do unearth old manuscripts (4,3,7)
- 9 Child joins mother as society member (5)
- 10 You're sorry when you have to do this (9)
- 11 Working with acid, show church in unusual tinge (7)
- 12 Turn lard and Greek cheese in cloth (7)
- 13 Band go North of the Border (4)
- 14 Margaret, being old-fashioned, is a misfit (6,3)
- 18 OTT, like a company chairman? (9)
- 20 Question read out for Scottish engineer (4)
- 22 Footnote beside second muscle (7)
- 25 Menace behind a wheel to wildly go hard round circle (4,3)
- 26 During another Sabbath he embraced biblical woman (9)
- 27 Evolution's half-formed plant seed (5)
- 28 Novel line: to Sheffield or elsewhere (4,2,3,5)

## DOWN

- 1 Block enclosure to make moist (6)
- 2 Hang around with partner (9)
- 3 Submerging wrong monarch (7)
- 4 A leg (Asian) twisted, with no feeling of pain (9)
- 5 European cormorants seen regularly (5)
- 6 Available for one worried about fine (2,5)
- 7 Learning about one European river (5)
- 8 Madden in louder anger (7)
- 15 Pledged to be around the twist! (5,4)
- 16 Scented oil makes father and Lou itch madly (9)

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- 17 Buy out new European video site (7)
- 19 Fortunate there's not so many in cot (7)
- 20 River, at a distance, to lose intensity (4,3)
- 21 Serge's flamboyant exit (6)
- 23 Some remain troubled by opening passage (5)
- 24 Female, a female with a bundle (5)