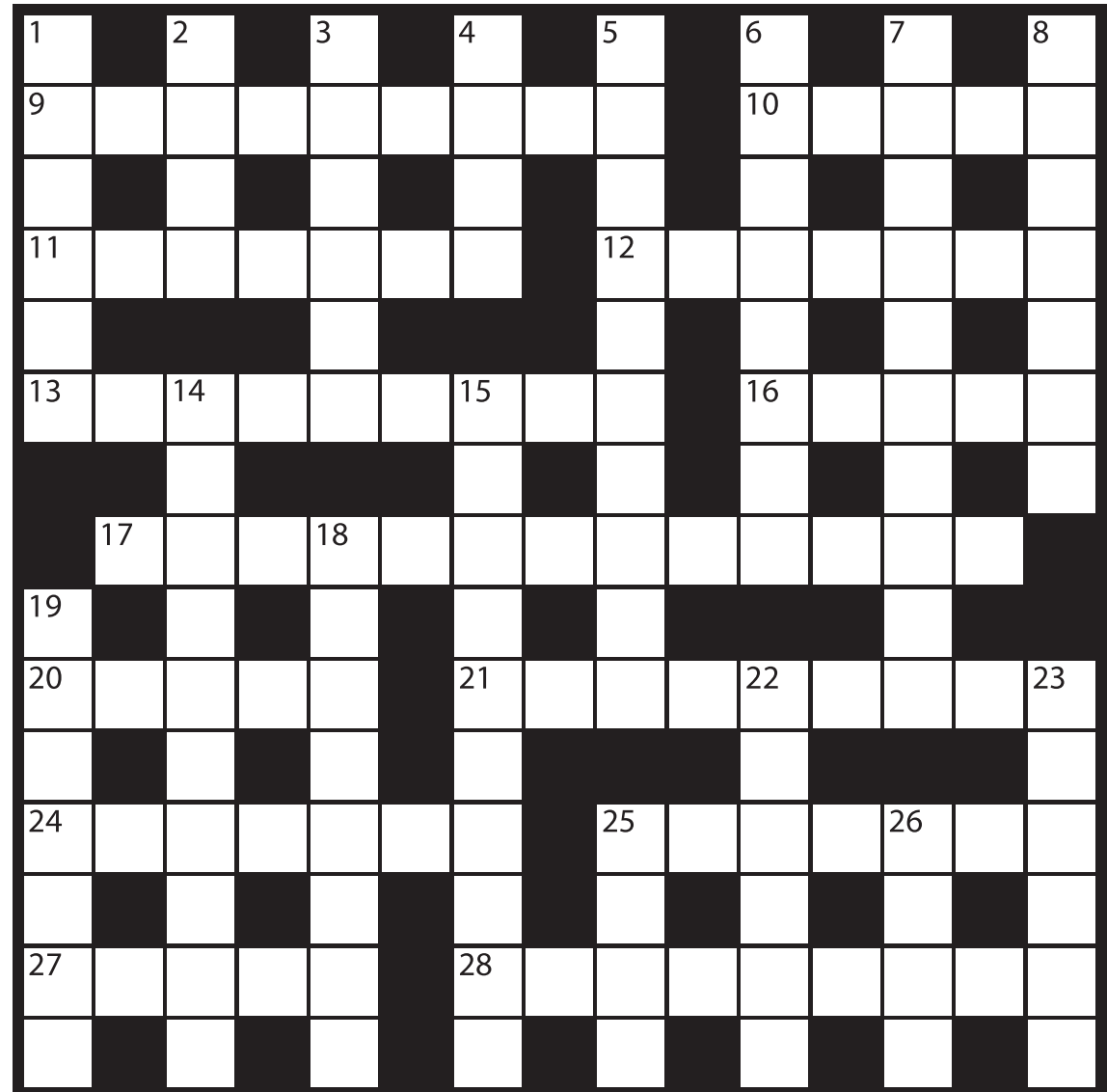


**ACROSS**

- 9 Be in irate disposition when drunk (9)
- 10 Sect famished, but not fed (5)
- 11 Japanese money invested in source of sugar and spice (7)
- 12 Animal always after Rod, holding note (3,4)
- 13 Far-seeing little academic heard reversing name (9)
- 16 Bizarre in Anjou treaty (5)
- 17 The garden is in disarray – depressing (13)
- 20 Sampled last of cider in new diet (5)
- 21 Study frock, and alter the destination (9)
- 24 Soft soap, and what you put it on with? (7)
- 25 Disparaged last month: terrible, dire (7)
- 27 Level odds confused seven (5)
- 28 Has a guess that friend is entering derelict sites (9)

**DOWN**

- 1 Chic move rising an involuntary reaction (6)
- 2 Depend on it – some are lying! (4)
- 3 Part of tree, black, on the farm (6)
- 4 500 are finding challenge (4)
- 5 Pots of tea tractor wrecked (10)
- 6 Nurse put on and tired (8)
- 7 Amateur Italian writer holds dubious title (10)
- 8 Delighted many caused injury (7)
- 14 Made a speech without a single drink being started (10)
- 15 Yet eat roll from drink carrier (3,7)
- 18 Pleasure-lover having done this badly (8)
- 19 Starch is strong in finest weaving (7)



- 22 Make off last month with power unit (6)
- 23 Cruel person is sad with one good person (6)
- 25 Specific time for fruit (4)
- 26 Small quantity is ordered, tiny amount for starters (4)