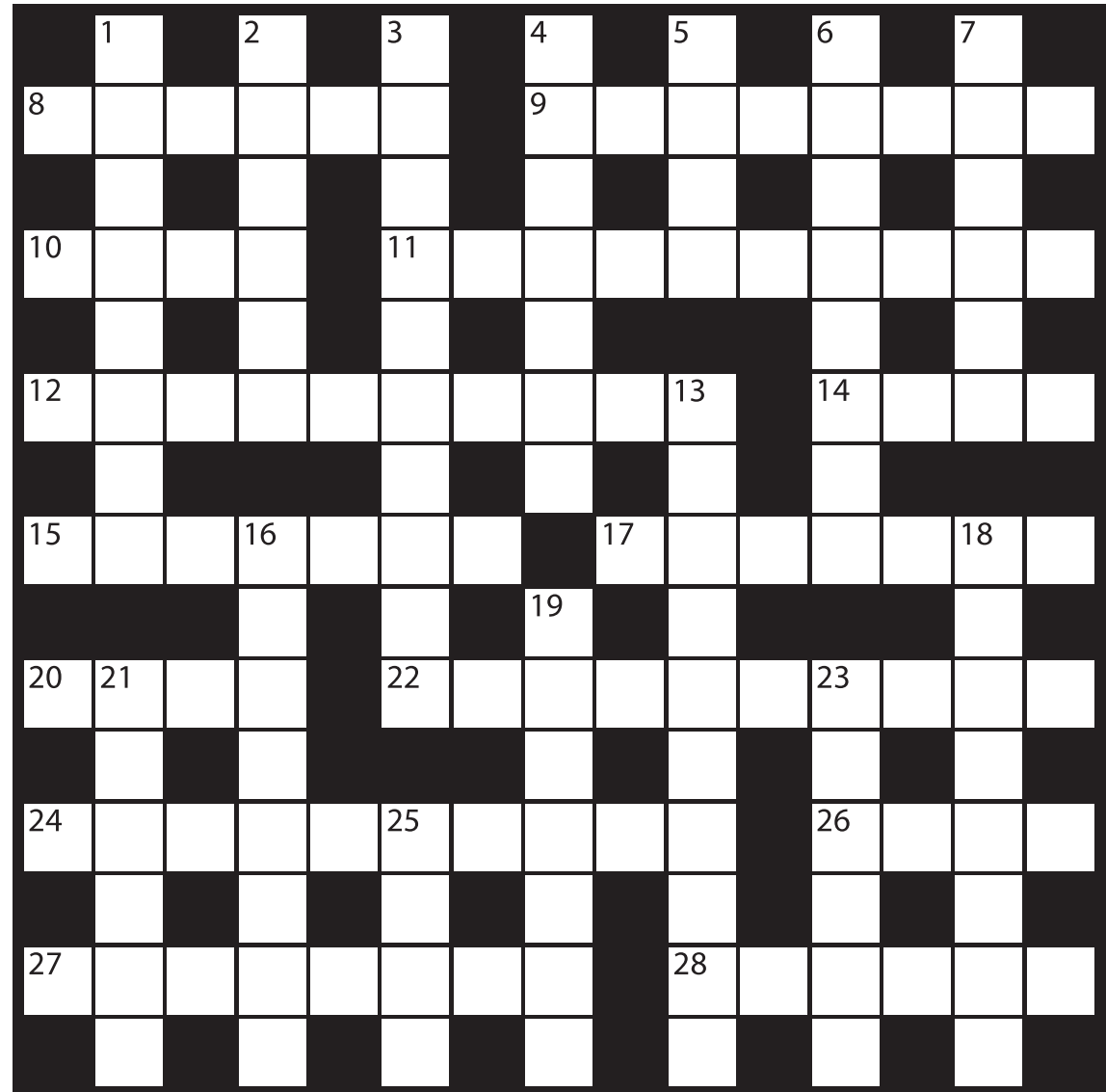


**ACROSS**

- 8 Unable to make out cloudy area (6)
- 9 Frugal to mess about with little company income (8)
- 10 A lot of money for an explosive device (4)
- 11 Treat Allan, perhaps, to a dance (10)
- 12 Biscuit in Reg's pan broken after drink (6,4)
- 14 Enthusiastic about a bit of badminton (4)
- 15 Break potato put in drink (5,2)
- 17 European hand measurement is hard (7)
- 20 Press club (4)
- 22 Eye's artery given treatment in the recent past (10)
- 24 In ju-jitsu, person, I conclude, must be very fast (10)
- 26 Still not here, or no longer here? (4)
- 27 Process of choice where choice non-starter (8)
- 28 Greek island with sound streets (6)

**DOWN**

- 1 Intense enjoyment makes his demon wild (8)
- 2 Sweet nonsense (6)
- 3 Kentish city to run over Greater Manchester town (10)
- 4 Fish on the bride's finger? (7)
- 5 Twelve rising and falling (4)
- 6 Funny bloke involving newspapers in trick (8)
- 7 Purple flower (6)
- 13 Source of powder to sprinkle – it's not funny (10)
- 16 Grammatical unit, something passed (8)
- 18 Began to pocket loot, initially surprised (8)



- 19 Stupid as one figure (7)
- 21 Head off problem with Russian money (6)
- 23 Cowardly, like custard? (6)
- 25 Bargain to cut up (4)