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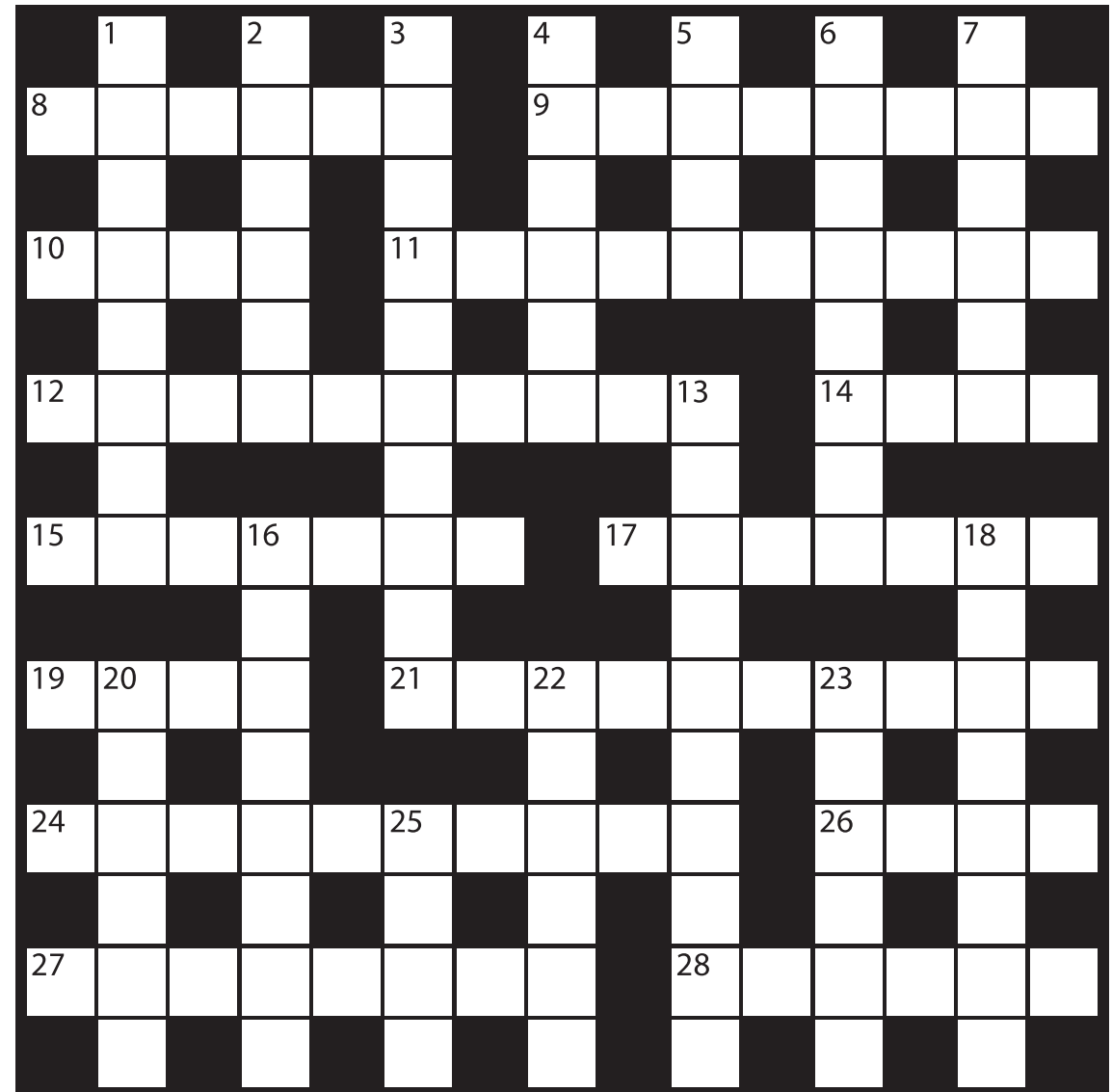
- 8 First of those poems changing times (6)
- 9 What strange instrument makes a tree? (8)
- 10 Pig sounds like a tedious person (4)
- 11 Marriage keeps, say, faithfulness (10)
- 12 Festival is prone to winds (10)
- 14 Church recess, perhaps eastern part? (4)
- 15 Coastal barrier where marine animal holds rule back (3,4)
- 17 Insincerely praise, though more dull (7)
- 19 Nevertheless, one is the abominable snowman (4)
- 21 English funny about word of dissent, being thrifty (10)
- 24 Prison might, we hear, get cave feature (10)
- 26 Just blonde (4)
- 27 Soap, note, used on cutlery item (8)
- 28 Bigger drink, about right (6)

DOWN

- 1 Set off for school in time (8)
- 2 Trips I organised to find a ghost (6)
- 3 When odd, sell paired sandal (10)
- 4 Hot stuff, though sounds cold (6)
- 5 Suddenly grasp stick (4)
- 6 Game and ham starter eaten by rustic (8)
- 7 Summary is almost exact (6)
- 13 Bacteria in fish given to Miss Fitzgerald (10)
- 16 Neck injury clean round joint on left (8)
- 18 Inspector was formerly an underground worker (8)
- 20 Whichever of two or three I organised (6)

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- 22 Vegetables known by experts? (6)
- 23 Snitch at school? (6)
- 25 Expand on good argument (4)