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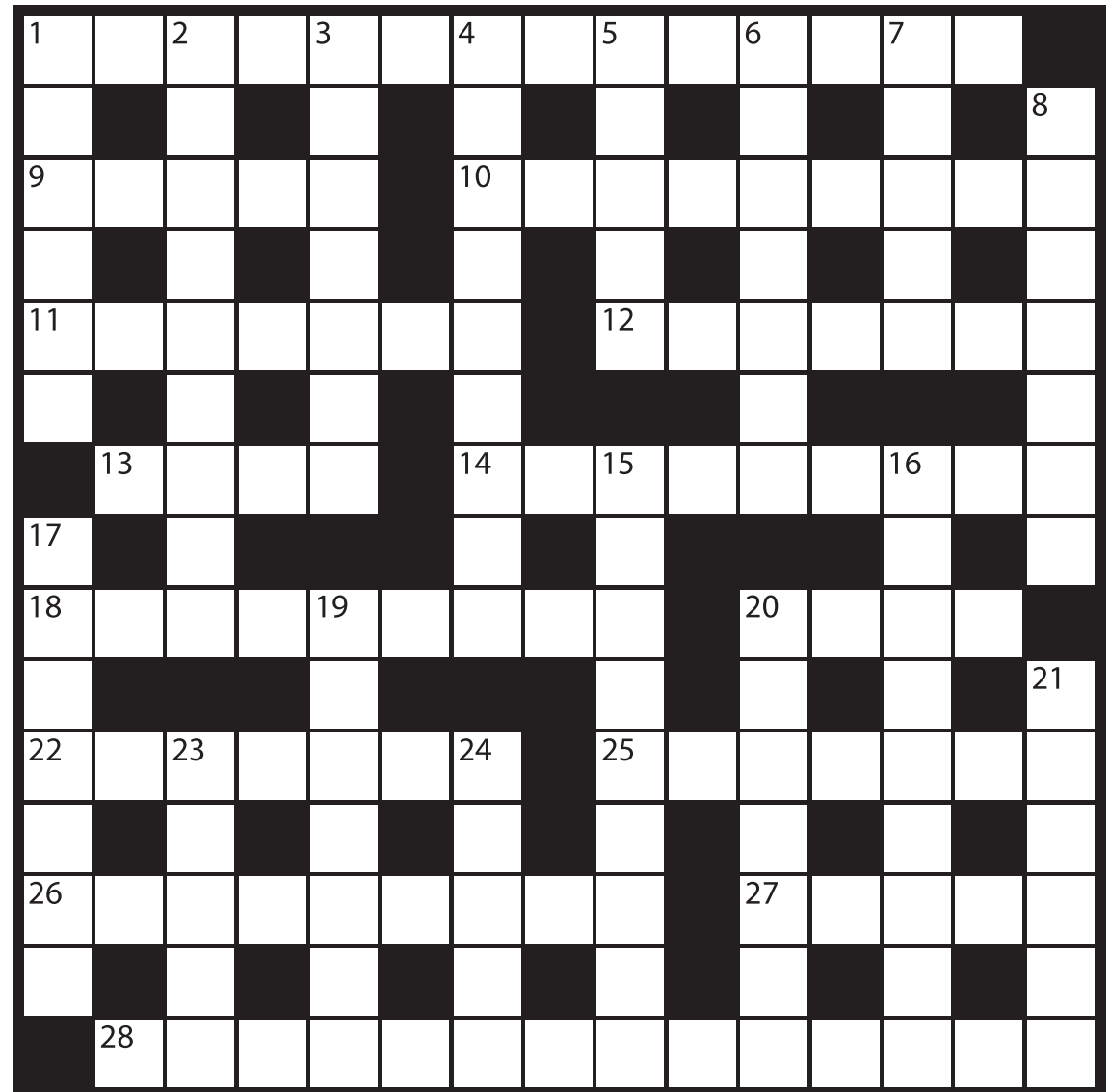
- 1 Former spouse got in touch, having been expelled from the church (14)
- 9 I am past the mature stage (5)
- 10 Dream once about classic collection of tales (9)
- 11 Poet Edward conceals the shoe material (7)
- 12 US politician stirred up treason (7)
- 13 European country lacks one bridge (4)
- 14 Communion with Icarus the flyer (9)
- 18 Being afflicted with painful joints can badly tire a chum (9)
- 20 Work between the lines is inadequate (4)
- 22 Scent is sprayed to get bugs (7)
- 25 Type of atom is getting round with highest energy (7)
- 26 In the past one would assess and free from blame (9)
- 27 Slide from top of deep divide (5)
- 28 Roughly seek rye product for operation (7,7)

DOWN

- 1 Maybe lie in bed anyhow, fit for consumption (6)
- 2 Sea creature software the French use to get fruit (4,5)
- 3 Bird getting hormone treatment (7)
- 4 Endured, having taken the plunge? (9)
- 5 Deposits of zinc, asbestos etc, once found in Peru (5)
- 6 Marine put out by a country (7)
- 7 Poltergeist held back white bird (5)
- 8 Nut cracked by girl, whopper? (7)
- 15 Nice socks taken off – cheek! (9)
- 16 One's entering to get better ad-lib (9)

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- 17 Instructor's soft sports shoe (7)
- 19 Play the king? (7)
- 20 Put in a fresh demand for instrument minus case, initially (7)
- 21 Landowners have information on test (6)
- 23 Pinched fingers to leave trapped (5)
- 24 Wrap red fruit and place in empty satchel (5)