

**ACROSS**

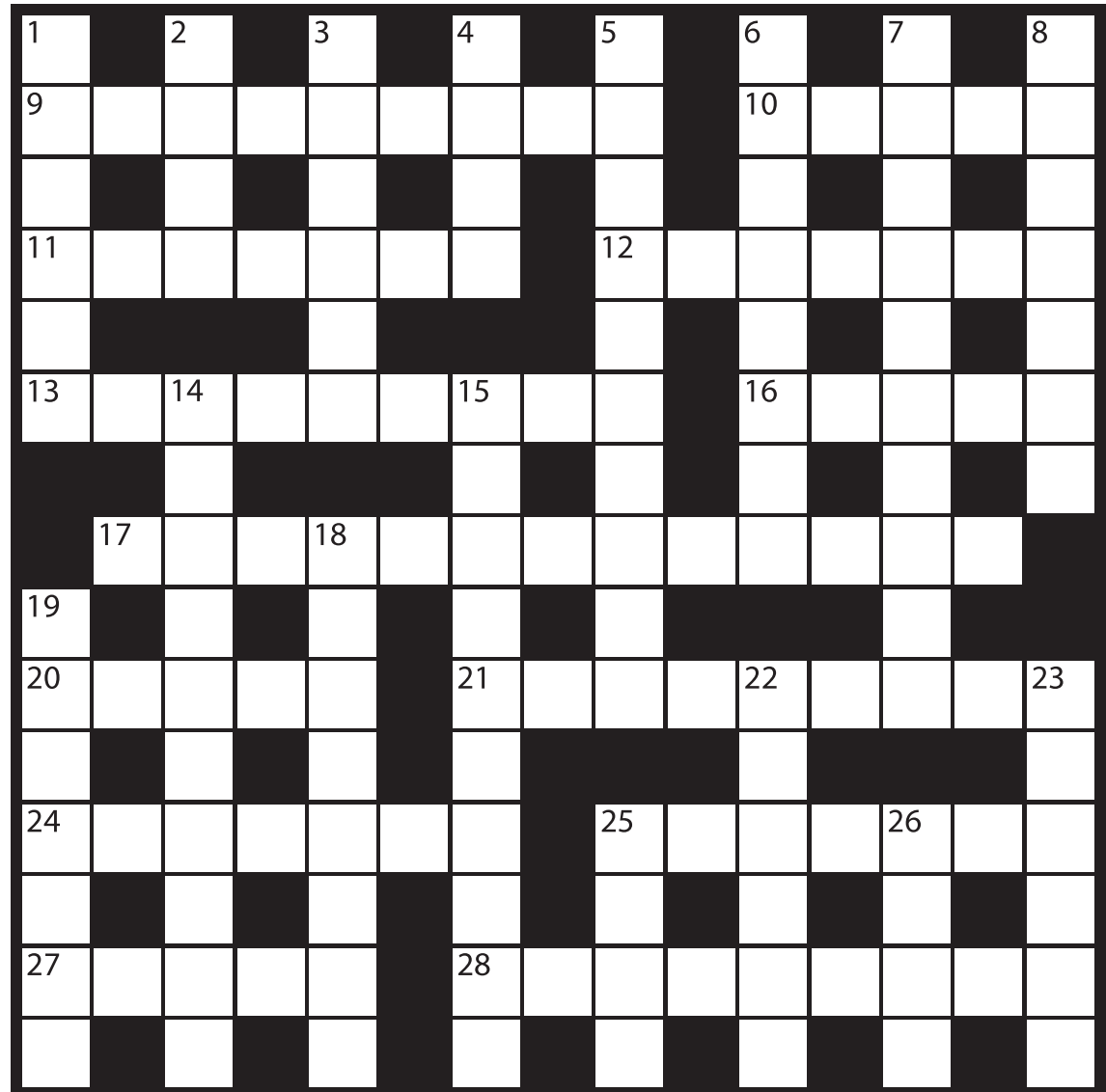
- 9 Dam stream around the city (9)  
 10 Smallest rooms at back of house, detached (5)  
 11 Somehow put into rare state of bliss (7)  
 12 Being without creative subject is naive (7)  
 13 Damaged parcel contains bread roll and fruit (4,5)  
 16 As usual a thermic part of machine (5)  
 17 Unwearying despite data file being trashed (13)  
 20 Freight on vehicle getting green light (5)  
 21 Evil soldier turns to relative consumed by whisky (9)  
 24 Maniac runs around east, washed out (7)  
 25 After the cricket match, tucked in with a will (7)  
 27 Young bird using towel (5)  
 28 Quiet needed for sleep as disrupted and irregular (9)

**DOWN**

- 1 Strong, almost entirely a clay block structure (6)  
 2 A drain at the earliest opportunity (inits) (4)  
 3 Unable to make out cloudy area (6)  
 4 Had zealously concealed the tool (4)  
 5 I'm getting stuff that's unimportant (10)  
 6 For part of the far-off lot I'll arrange a fleet of small ships (8)  
 7 Plant, strong one, backed without exception (10)  
 8 Yours truly has a less distressing disease (7)  
 14 Sailor and friend embracing standard in unusual way (10)

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- 15 Drugs expert shows fantastic charisma during training (10)  
 18 The serious nature of hatred surrounding gold (8)  
 19 Country copper in love, back to front (7)  
 22 Travel for a short while - it's the truth (6)  
 23 Belief in God exists within that group (6)  
 25 Gets a Russian leader trapped (4)  
 26 Wean off in a different way (4)