

**ACROSS**

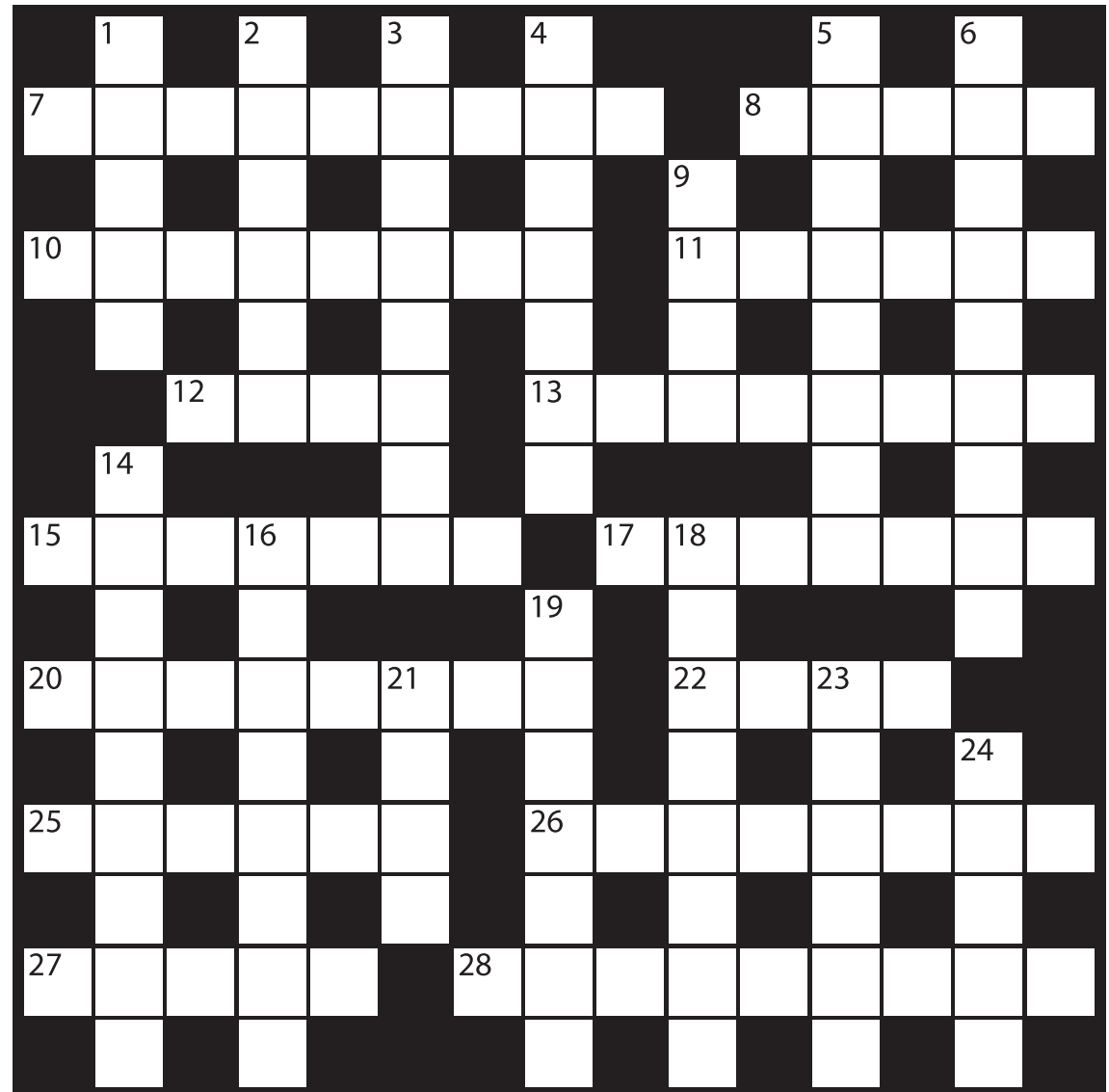
- 7 A very quiet London borough is attractive (9)  
 8 Dug back for tough material (5)  
 10 Pledge made by witches to worker (8)  
 11 Come out with oriental blend (6)  
 12 Make a wager with a Greek character (4)  
 13 Causes a stir by setting it in stones (8)  
 15 Ship's officer admits also having command (7)  
 17 Ruby in prosperous time shows signs of tedium (7)  
 20 Sid's love, unfortunately, will melt away (8)  
 22 Press club (4)  
 25 Primate to cover seaman with blessing (6)  
 26 Last five dancing at the celebration (8)  
 27 Intends to get the necessary money (5)  
 28 I am beaten, held in custody (9)

**DOWN**

- 1 Protective garment not hard for orphan to fix (5)  
 2 To cut off point is harsh (6)  
 3 Rustic person, about fifty, and good-humoured (8)  
 4 In Butlins tea dance as an alternative (7)  
 5 Representative of French ambassador (8)  
 6 Solitary person has vest on (9)  
 9 Still I follow the monster (4)  
 14 Radical ideas friends hold about fences (9)  
 16 Pay no attention to price reduction (8)  
 18 Love quest, which is left out (8)

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- 19 Nice smell when agent returns to smoke (7)  
 21 Tell a story about new telephone connection (4)  
 23 Tear-jerkers in soon for reorganisation (6)  
 24 One who makes a lot of dough! (5)