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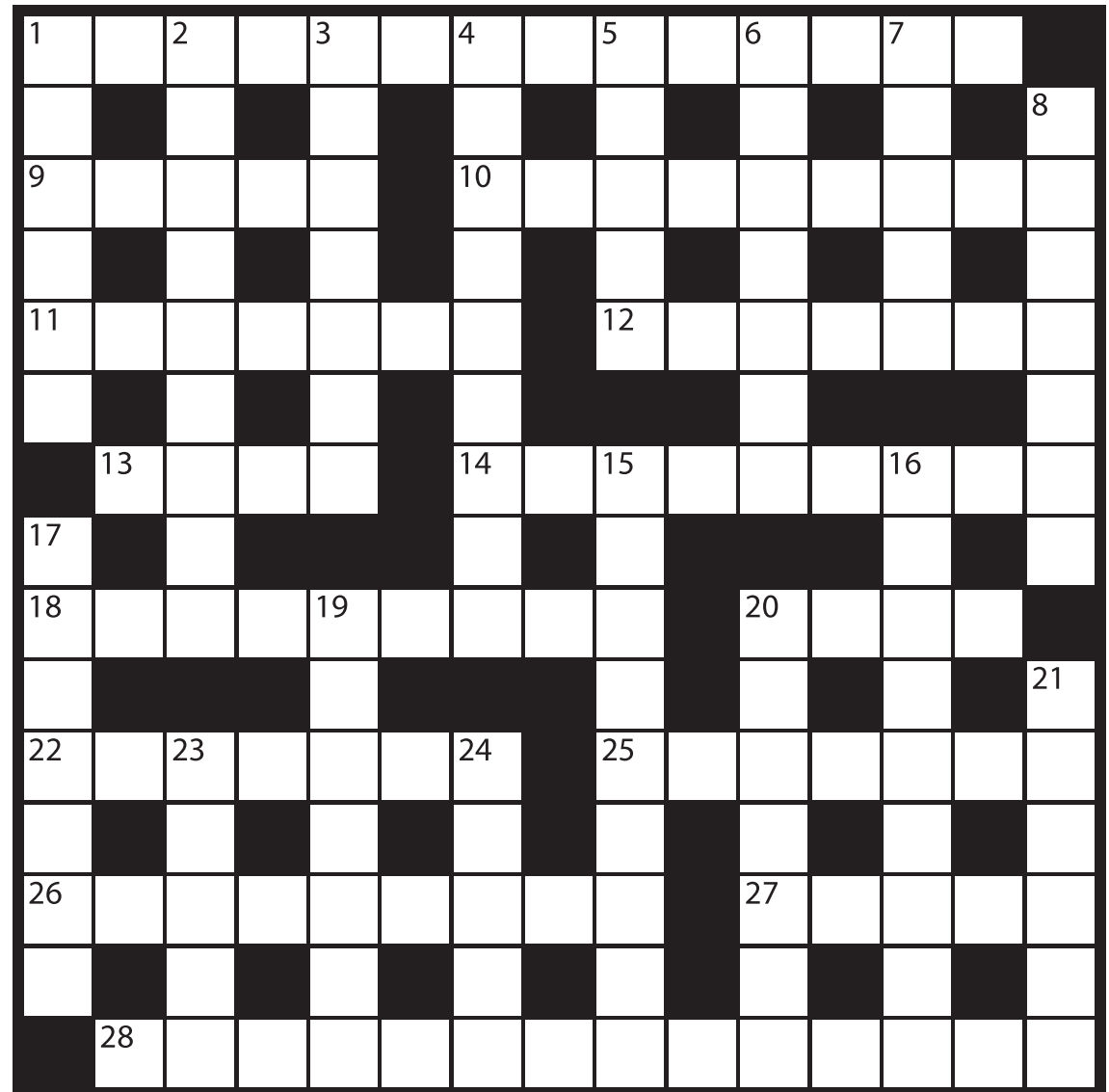
- 1 Make up with that butcher he upset round yard (4,3,7)
- 9 Some extra dealing, buying and selling (5)
- 10 Not an original take-off (9)
- 11 Biblical letter, ie, spelt out (7)
- 12 Part of wasp in a chopped vegetable (7)
- 13 Gaze endlessly at a celebrity (4)
- 14 Maiden in poorly cut tiara, very distressing (9)
- 18 Ceremony of soldiers in bag with rodent (9)
- 20 Copies part of tapestries (4)
- 22 Stark gold trees uprooted (7)
- 25 Plainer variety of sweet (7)
- 26 Precision required to demand money from the head (9)
- 27 Rub out some howler, as erroneous (5)
- 28 Where theatre of war is controlled? (10,4)

DOWN

- 1 Gambler completely recovered (6)
- 2 Strangely clear it is life-like (9)
- 3 Chirpy bird on the stereo equipment? (7)
- 4 Piece rent apart where shaking starts (9)
- 5 A skip is inappropriate (5)
- 6 Head cover for Indian queen combined with exterior (7)
- 7 Local doesn't start to back musical (5)
- 8 Restrained while wearing patterned clothing? (2,5)
- 15 Put pitta on as starter (9)
- 16 Do take him out to comic opera (3,6)
- 17 Absconder's flight to France at last (7)

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- 19 Accomplice has a chance to repent, initially (7)
- 20 Mozart biopic gets top award, produced by America (7)
- 21 Make up for deep sleep around river (6)
- 23 Second instrument produces note (5)
- 24 Sports contest some prevented (5)