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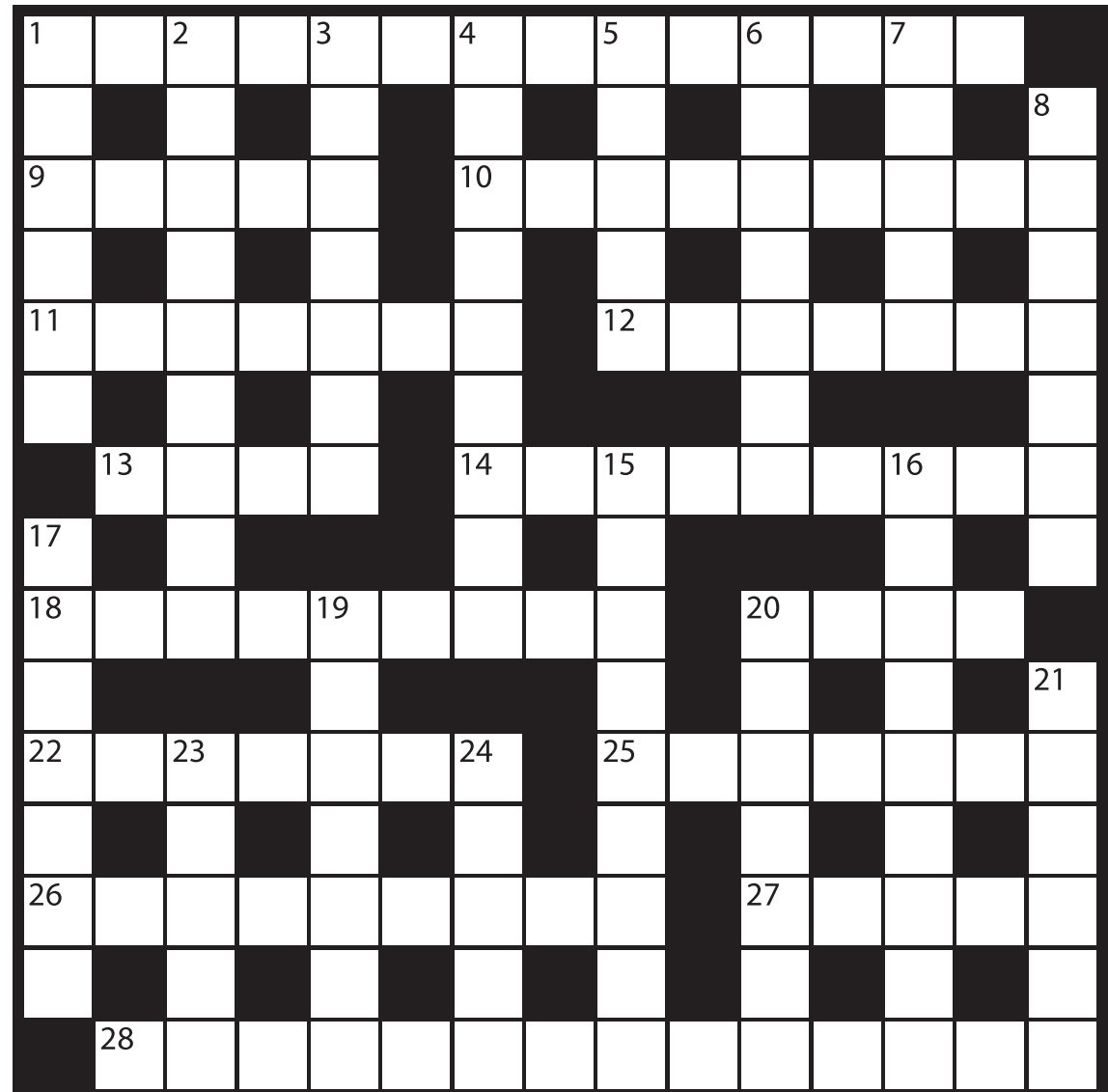
- 1 Glowing prophet's chosen badly (14)
 9 One convent member bandaging foot, initially as a joke (2,3)
 10 Being late, sailor has to eat on ship (9)
 11 Admit cipher involves New Church (7)
 12 Sort of cat sees I am distressed (7)
 13 Talent that's free (4)
 14 Chaps involved in a welcome contract (9)
 18 Rejected, having governed too much? (9)
 20 Detest man at heart (4)
 22 A fellow first to face open insult (7)
 25 Van I ran manufactured to produce bliss (7)
 26 Nothing in Iceland to disrupt a Roman place (9)
 27 Film award means nothing to Mark (5)
 28 Girl has most of apple pudding (9,5)

DOWN

- 1 Royal's cost about billion, finally (6)
 2 Insulting attack (9)
 3 Witticism by well-mannered man is caustic (7)
 4 Where the canny soccer player should always be (2,3,4)
 5 Deserves tangled snare (5)
 6 Conditions affected mail etc (7)
 7 Relation, English, in French resort (5)
 8 Loudly kissed buffoon's exterior features (7)
 15 Turned and made off when not needed (9)
 16 Captivates on the ways in (9)
 17 'March on!' ordered sovereign (7)
 19 Put in a fresh demand for instrument minus case, initially (7)

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- 20 Hot garden recess provides shelter (7)
 21 Writer's block is unending (6)
 23 Fulfil the need to conceal squalor (5)
 24 Brown has to leave for the dance (5)