

**ACROSS**

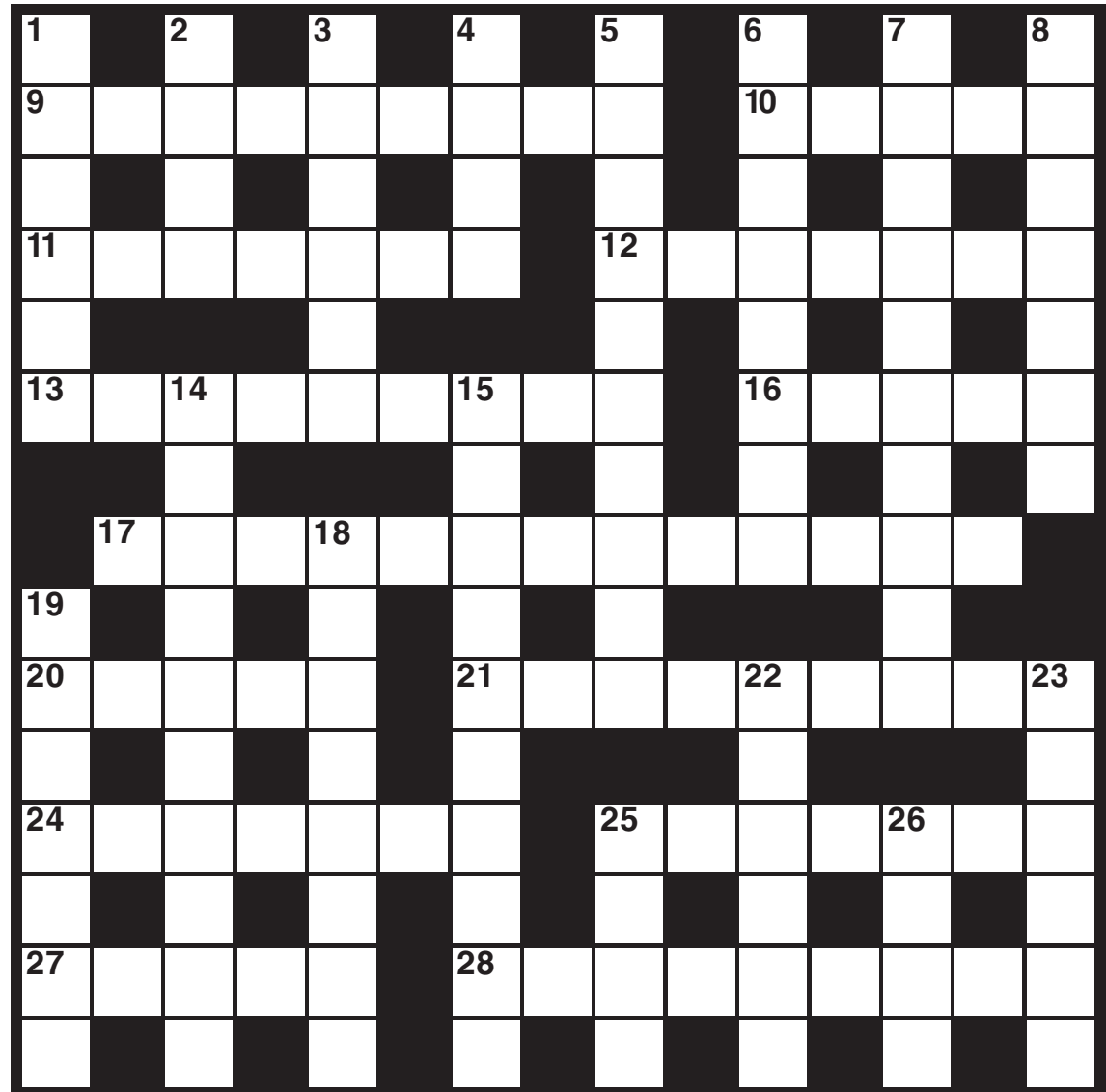
- 9 Deceitful feathers at rest! (5,4)  
 10 The old soldiers' country (5)  
 11 Wine produced by one painter (7)  
 12 Missionary has a job with the French (7)  
 13 Disguised one new tooth into another (9)  
 16 Spanish agreement the day before riddle (5)  
 17 Be easily hurt if knavish? He ain't worried (4,1,4,4)  
 20 Sum up the French muddle (5)  
 21 Volatile sergeant and daughter now living apart (9)  
 24 Officer to pass single line (7)  
 25 Don't worry about diamonds being seen (7)  
 27 Incident in flat at end of street (5)  
 28 Express regret for new sepia logo (9)

**DOWN**

- 1 Old boys crushed in maul (6)  
 2 Sounds like current's connected (4)  
 3 Getting on some stage in Glasgow (6)  
 4 Range of tasks as initial schedule (4)  
 5 Not against unfamiliar opponent (10)  
 6 Outline of small island animal's return (8)  
 7 Chant about topic a little bit (10)  
 8 Ann, former journalist, is attached (7)  
 14 Light hydrogen captured by devious Icelander (10)  
 15 Man interrupted clarinet broadcast but was acquitted (2,3,5)  
 18 Tree gnarled and strangely tiny forever (8)  
 19 Person rearing cattle dashed and caught her (7)  
 22 Writer gives gold to god (6)

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23 Avoids tricks (6)

25 When the sun's at its highest, either way (4)

26 Short note written during lunch, I think (4)