

**ACROSS**

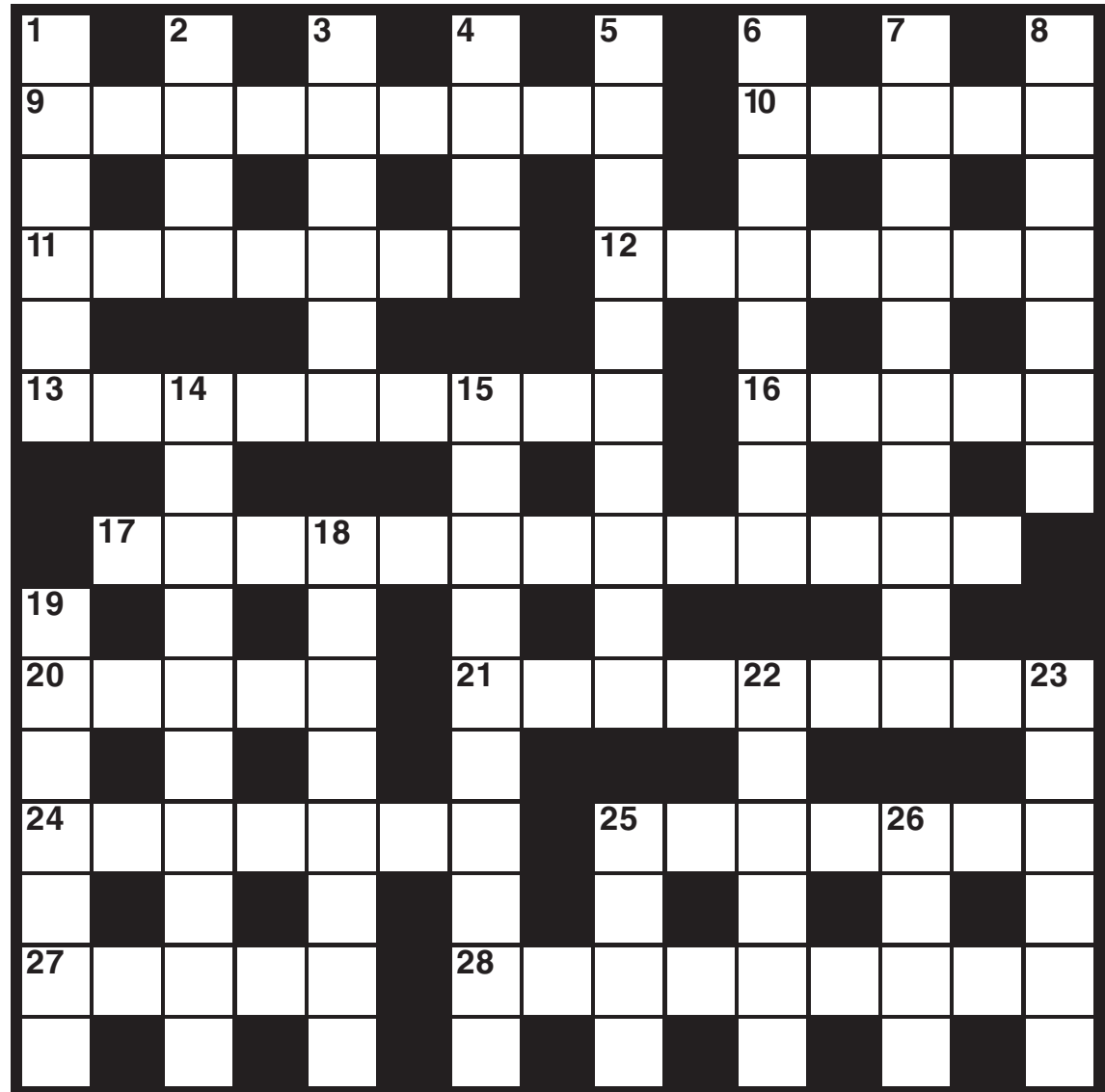
- 9 Some theatre work? (9)  
 10 French river, right hand one (5)  
 11 Aged tram due, broken (7)  
 12 Veteran's never carried over trap (7)  
 13 Old city copper should open film (9)  
 16 Goes without — that's negligent, we hear (5)  
 17 Most popular member of the company? (4,9)  
 20 Expert holding hearts and diamonds, suffered (5)  
 21 Make too much of love, five demolish terrace (9)  
 24 Camera I adapted for New World (7)  
 25 A brutal arrangement in chart form (7)  
 27 Feature a country (5)  
 28 Article in a Monet composition is tatty (4-5)

**DOWN**

- 1 Lettuce, nearly the greatest in the world (6)  
 2 School group catching cold (4)  
 3 Bird which speaks standard nonsense (6)  
 4 Prison for high-flyer (4)  
 5 Emphasise insufficient points (10)  
 6 He may struggle to break a lock (8)  
 7 So vacation turns out to be round Halifax (4,6)  
 8 Means of launching new film (7)  
 14 Subject to crime that I carried out (10)  
 15 Shield business at circular agricultural buildings (4,2,4)  
 18 Song could make a girl mad (8)  
 19 Bachelor rests on weapon for steadiness (7)

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- 22 It may erase part of bridge game (6)  
 23 Martyr Anthony a bit of a despot (6)  
 25 Of course it's a better system (4)  
 26 Machine taking end off piece of wood (4)