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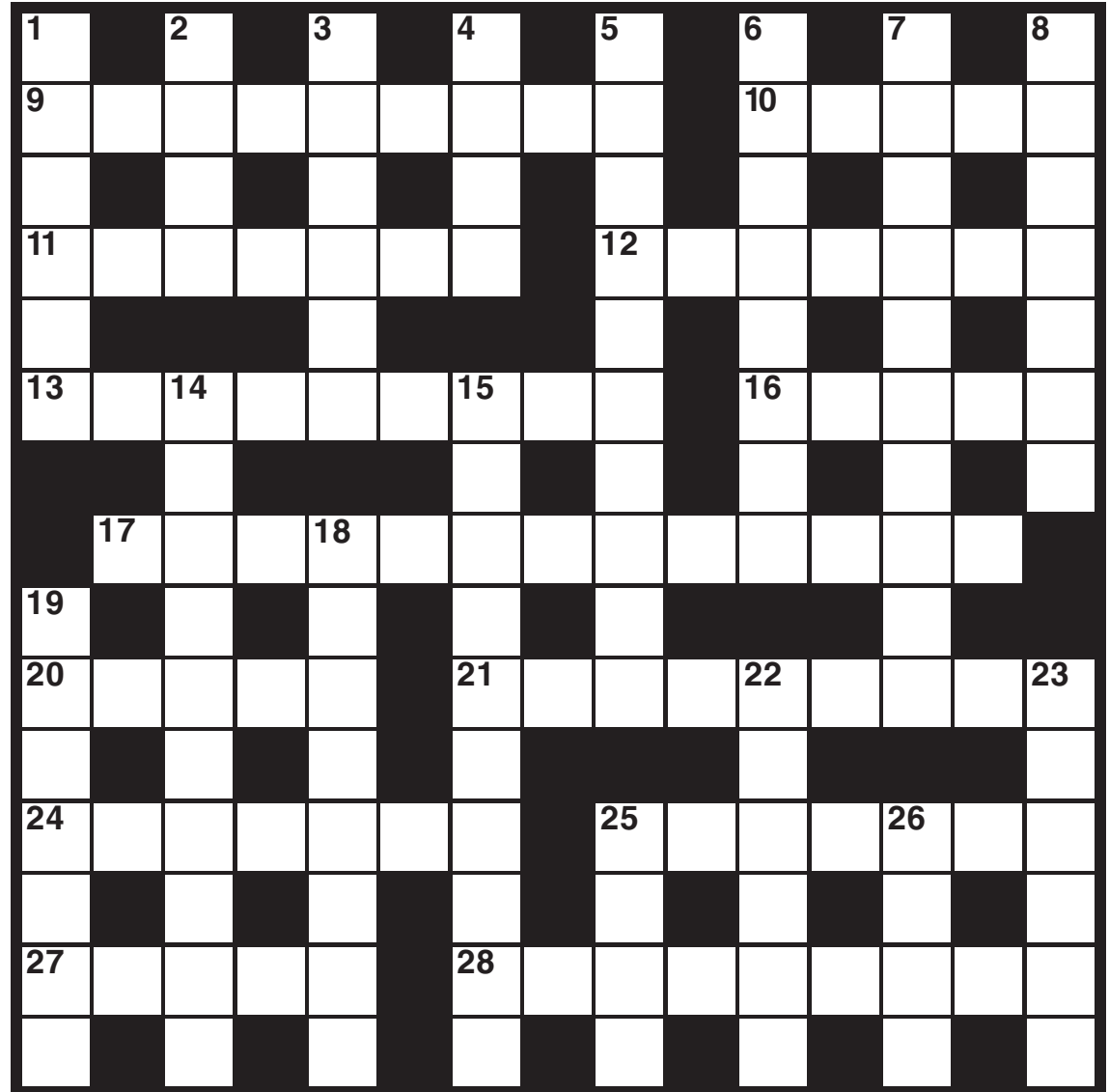
- 9 Small cure about reportedly torn religious writings (9)
- 10 A price to pay to get to the coral reef (5)
- 11 Eminent woman had by the police for keeping coin (7)
- 12 Taken on by German, a German administrator (7)
- 13 Police snare spared pet by mistake (5,4)
- 16 Weight of a leopard (5)
- 17 Poorly Ontario dieter worsening (13)
- 20 Alter, change, but not at the moment (5)
- 21 How a bird may eat if uncontrollable (3,2,4)
- 24 Cereal crop with frozen water creates plaster moulding (7)
- 25 Characters on the slope? (7)
- 27 Values old local taxes (5)
- 28 Insulting attack (9)

DOWN

- 1 Private remarks from assistants holding squadron leader (6)
- 2 Carrier runs into river (4)
- 3 Frank and journalist began (6)
- 4 Meld circuit breaker (4)
- 5 It aids good morale with mates, trip I organised (4,6)
- 6 Most of carnation ruined on waterproof garment (8)
- 7 Cheese for monster author (10)
- 8 In a state of panic as Mr Capone has weapons (7)
- 14 All those who can make one cross? (10)
- 15 Beast crushing Cornish ore (10)
- 18 Peer I briefly estimate to be the first to arrive (8)
- 19 Notice place with a piece of plastic (7)

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- 22 Show off extremely frightful relative (6)
- 23 I left, studied, rearranged and cleaned (6)
- 25 Short of knowledge in Foreign Office? (abbrev)(4)
- 26 Bird sheltered in crib, I see (4)