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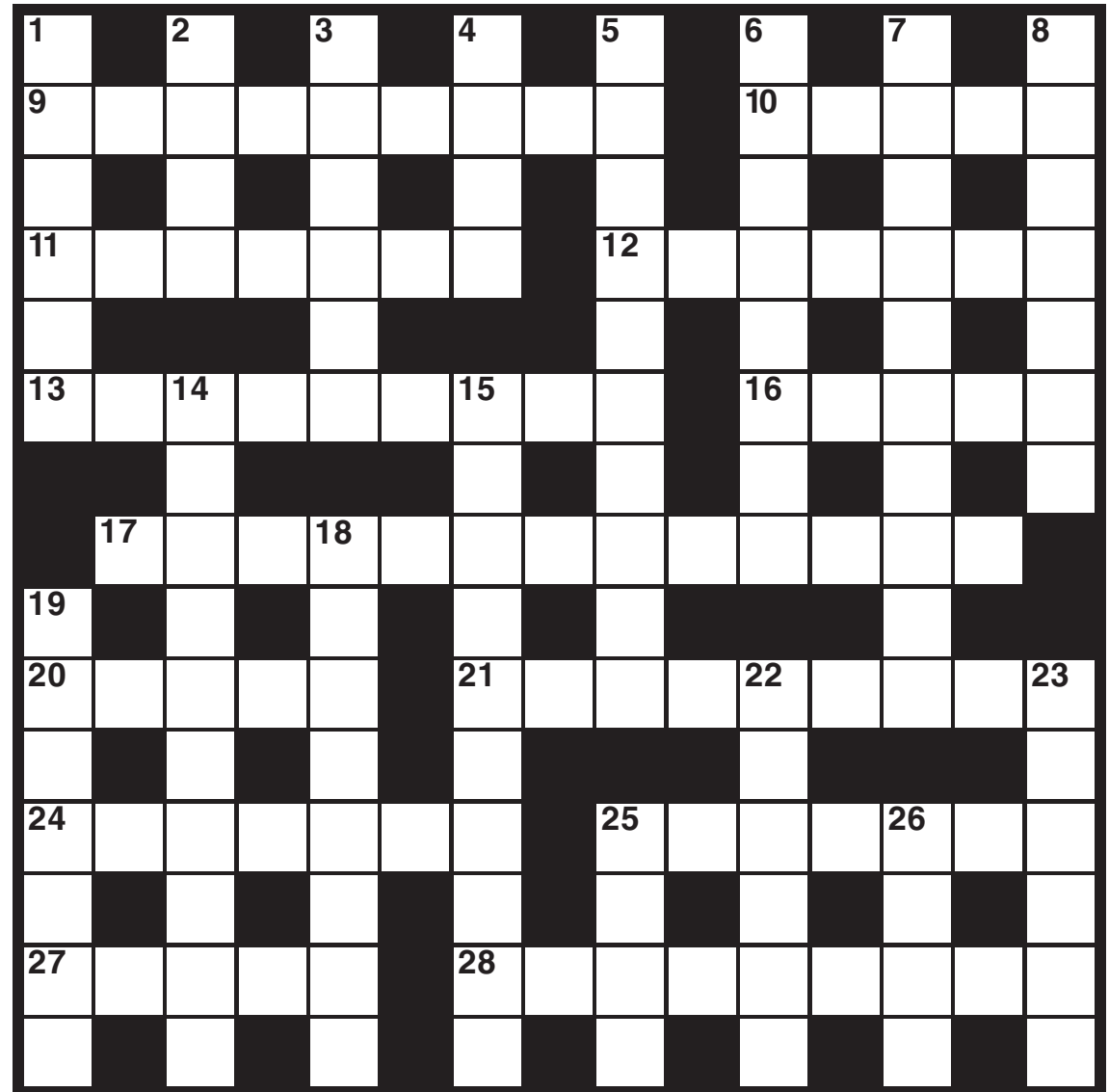
- 9 Executive item won't take the court long (9)
10 Picture one riotous game (5)
11 Be in debt, so woman brought in to intimidate (7)
12 Teams essential to chapel evensong (7)
13 Told to play goalie with apiarist (9)
16 One should enter diplomacy, it's implied (5)
17 Strict writer in tiara again (13)
20 Reportedly studies plants (5)
21 Target cure, an outcome of longevity (9)
24 Disease ruined coastal area (7)
25 Close to cutting suitable creative work (4,3)
27 Bill's car vandalised in African port (5)
28 Calling, in English, calling (9)

DOWN

- 1 Take in sailor's sphere (6)
2 Travel free over the East (4)
3 Obliterate every feature initially on dial (6)
4 Key American college (4)
5 Made the most of being famous? (10)
6 Eva first transferred to such a nice hotel? (4-4)
7 Secretary for each length of decoration (5-5)
8 How compact destiny may be (7)
14 Old partner has been a cur again with zest (10)
15 Showed determination for each cut (10)
18 Slot a hip replacement in here? (8)

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- 19 Glass and chlorine surrounding shattered trays (7)
22 Learnt about hire cost (6)
23 Length of former temporary accommodation (6)
25 Creature found under a hoof (4)
26 Song Marian takes to heart (4)