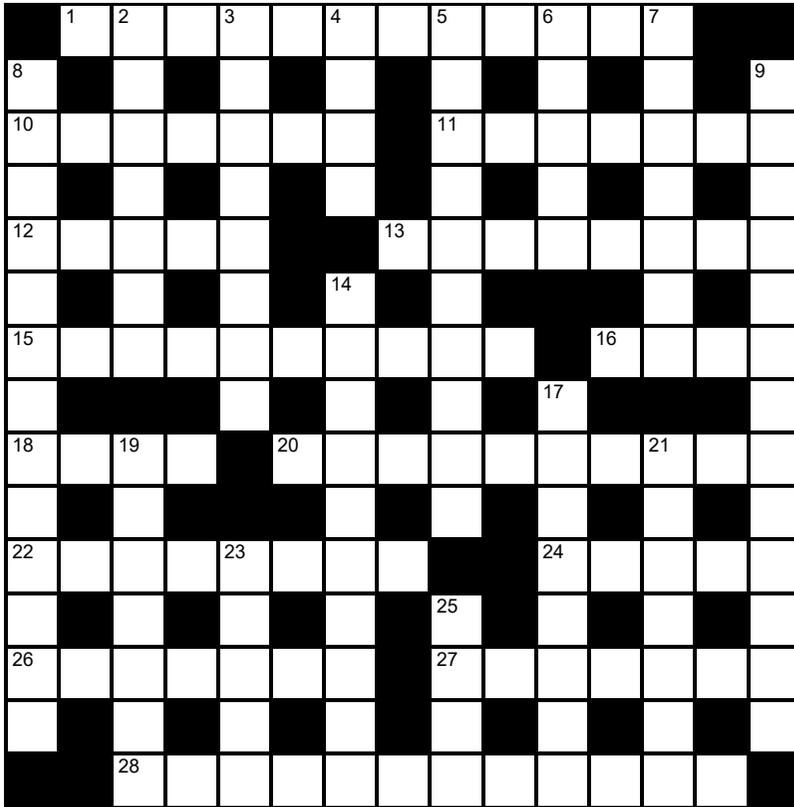


CROSSWORD

No 17,432 Set by VELIA



ACROSS

- 1 Ring in excellent condition (5,2,1,4)
- 10 Found special case confusing as the story develops (7)
- 11 Persuades awkward person to house one (5,2)
- 12 Fabric or linen, in one piece (5)
- 13 Miscreant's instrument backing rubbish (8)
- 15 Making a noise about stretch of apiculture (10)
- 16 Backwater circuit (4)
- 18 Month nine, or seven, in Paris for part of Irish family (4)
- 20 Perhaps too badly misplaced by grocers (10)
- 22 Where to find pink gin and score? Not quite (8)
- 24 A European, mostly OK (5)
- 26 Firm providing cover for FBI division (7)
- 27 City centre turns ultra-fashionable, but in name only (7)
- 28 Steam or water gets on deck: read announcements here (6,6)

DOWN

- 2 Crime of one type of criminal (7)
- 3 12 divided by 50, carrying one over, finishes as previously (2,6)
- 4 Primates turning tail in this part of the church (4)
- 5 Having a dab hand will produce no disaster (10)
- 6 Throw out former politically extreme leftist leaders (5)
- 7 Monarchy love to be in fancy hotels (7)
- 8 Comedy of deception (5,8)
- 9 Business folk have seen Turner perform (13)
- 14 Each Celtic half-back getting furious (10)
- 17 In the morning to be found in island with a West country offering (5,3)
- 19 New King's heart dropped after constant drink (4,3)
- 21 Wild leopard set free (7)
- 23 Times gripping little message (5)
- 25 Try and use a knife (4)

JOTTER PAD

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