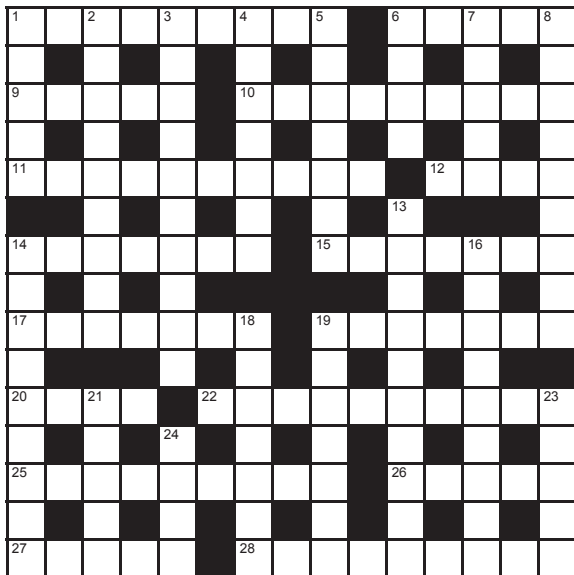


CROSSWORD

No. 16,504 Set by MOO



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Execute composition of Elgar thus (9)
- 6 Beastly African in post office (5)
- 9 Catch girl with nothing on (5)
- 10 Fierce old woman fighting against sack (9)
- 11 You might apply this to your cuts (10)
- 12 Leg it with circus performer, did you say? (4)
- 14 On reflection, regrets uncle becoming a manipulative type (7)
- 15 Time small boy in Scotland sang (7)
- 17 Leaves sweets for the Speaker (7)
- 19 Pay saint very little money to conclude (7)
- 20 Spots Bill heading north-east (4)
- 22 Bedsit land unexpectedly provides romantic prospects (5,5)
- 25 I swear, getting grumpier with F1 interruptions (9)
- 26 Fat old cow's complaint about Spain (5)
- 27 A sound agreement? (5)
- 28 I doorstep desperate bank customer (9)

DOWN

- 1 Climbing mountains tricky at first. Don't fall like this! (5)
- 2 Criminals first to feed penniless priests (9)
- 3 Poke Chuck in bottom. His company's not wanted (10)

- 4 Objection about Brie – unfortunately it makes you fatter (7)
- 5 Parisian to be held by snitch in hideout (7)
- 6 Religious theory regularly baffles novice (4)
- 7 She's right to wear ring (5)
- 8 Frank finished with no definite conclusion (4-5)
- 13 He introduces Ron and Doris, errant wife (3,7)
- 14 TV celebrity radiates male embarrassment (5,4)
- 16 What you may get, if patient? (9)
- 18 Dishonoured bride ill-used to a degree on journey north (7)
- 19 Hotspot where paper has revolutionary role (7)
- 21 Vegan's latest pie quietly chucked out? It's horrible! (5)
- 23 A Hereford pilot? (5)
- 24 Sex before church is a sin (4)

Solution 16,503

