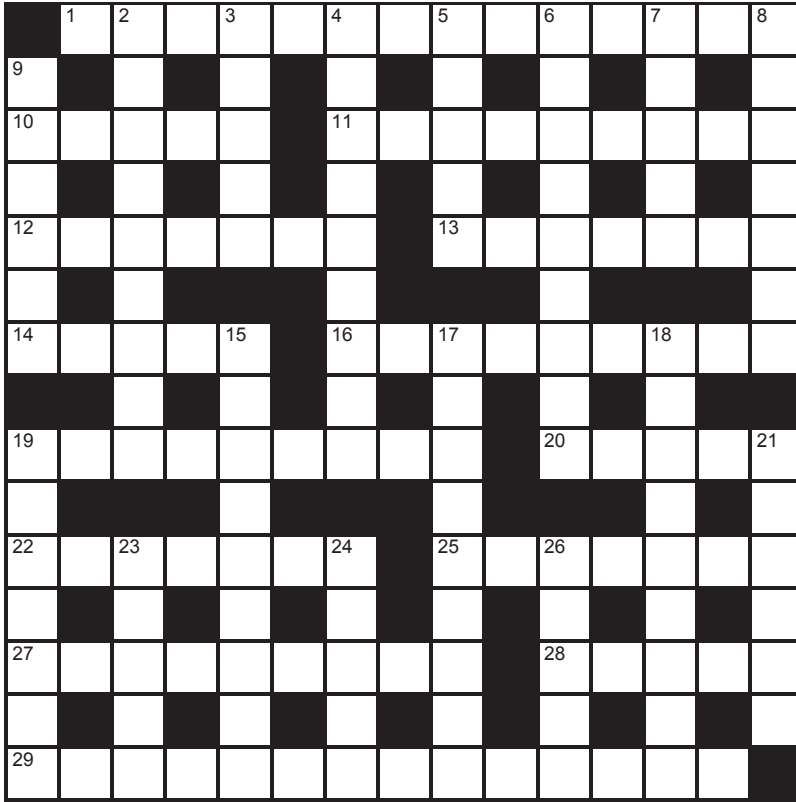


CROSSWORD

No 16,578 Set by BASILISK



ACROSS

- 1 Beat everything found in appropriate article by Garibaldi? (4,3,7)
- 10 When bed's one place you might get better (5)
- 11 Study discovered Dog Star orbits in inert state (9)
- 12 Unexciting date welcomed by anyone following change of heart (7)
- 13 Prepared food round middle of kitchen sink (7)
- 14 Drew water from river having gone outside (5)
- 16 Exile initially ignored mass prejudice (9)
- 19 Swift character posted back to front takes flight bags (9)
- 20 Coach tour suitable for everyone brought forward meeting time (5)
- 22 Toxic element in care homes finally rehabilitated (7)
- 25 Woman penning books such as *Fifty Shades of Grey* (7)
- 27 Supply teacher has reduced scourge of absenteeism? (9)
- 28 Children matter (5)
- 29 Representation of prophet's decree? (8,6)

DOWN

- 2 Newsreader barely referred to person out of the public eye (9)
- 3 Guard failing to open gate? (5)
- 4 Romantic poet's body suffered as winter rose? (9)
- 5 22 lives supporting British foundation (5)
- 6 Novel litmus test's first to include a new catalyst (9)
- 7 Assume moneylending will succumb ultimately to pressure (5)
- 8, 21 Prime gatherer *in extremis*? (3,4,6)
- 9, 19 Punish exploit linking sailor with that woman (3,3,7)
- 15 Alliance replacing university in alternative course means to create boom? (9)
- 17 Vulgar experiences captivating the French (9)
- 18 Underlying insincerity leaving enquiry's case compromised (9)
- 19 See 9
- 21 See 8
- 23 Piercing alert is pitched too high (5)
- 24 Dictator's ready to hide (5)
- 26 Naked lover staying at home is sheepish? (5)

JOTTER PAD

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