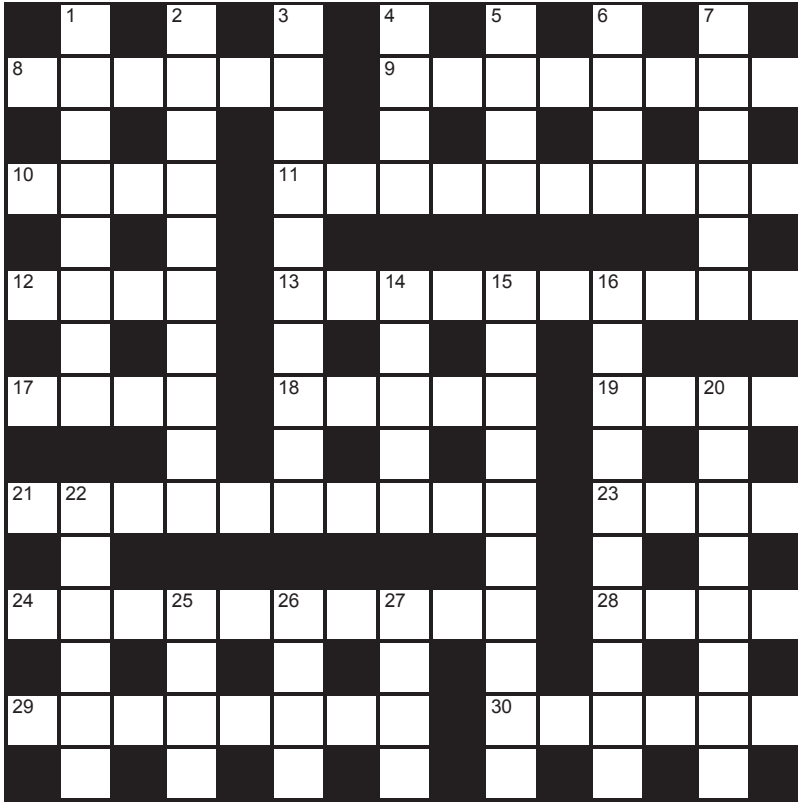


CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- 8 The French journey on a shallow lake (6)
- 9 This writer's got a partner diminished in strength (8)
- 10 Support of editor acknowledged (4)
- 11 Finding it easy to move without picnic basket? (10)
- 12 Newspaper produced by pub in city (4)
- 13 Two kings who revelled in nonsense? (6,4)
- 17, 18, 19 What avid US magazine reader gets through repeatedly (4,5,4)
- 21 Source of fruit – one greater after treatment (6,4)
- 23 Equipment required by a capital city (4)
- 24 Denial of crime – lad is shifty (10)
- 28 Up to work (4)
- 29 Factory inactive almost – one producing tiles (8)
- 30 The lady's fellow is a jazz musician (6)

DOWN

- 1 Trouble with a monkey appearing in Japanese city (8)
- 2 How to make one pig or one bird (4,6)
- 3 New trainee almost senseless kept being unable to figure things out? (10)
- 4, 14, 27 Awfully grim, what, eh, on Noah's vessel? Flood at maximum here (4-5,4)
- 5 Plans drawn up to provide tinned food (4)
- 6 Female anger on account of which the sparks may fly? (4)
- 7 Adviser to Nero who could create a scene (6)
- 14 See 4
- 15 Some elements are rather unusual – with hint of similarity (4,6)
- 16 Writing "true" tale, I go wrong, penning bit of rubbish (10)
- 20 Manage somehow to traverse two lakes as navigator (8)
- 22 Dried fruit is immersed in water (6)
- 25 Source of power in small room (4)
- 26 Old Japanese people found in Spain unexpectedly (4)
- 27 See 4

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