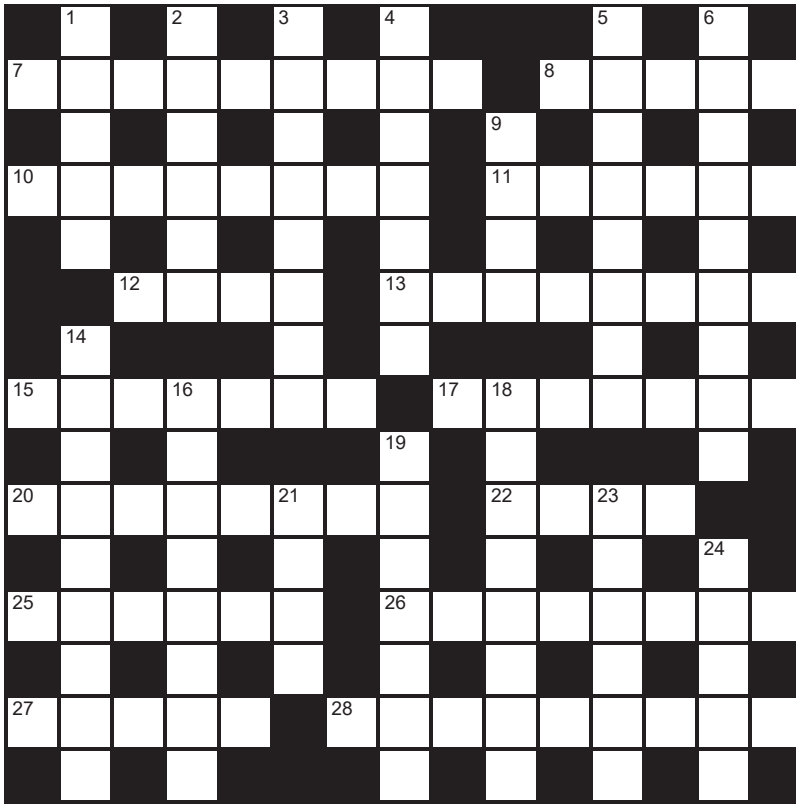


CROSSWORD

No 16,612 Set by HAMILTON



ACROSS

- 7, 8** How can spitting feathers make one miserable? (4,2,3,5)
10 Block opportunity for provisional admittance to theatre (8)
11 Public relations (6)
12 Surrealist's core determination (4)
13 Comes out with previous demands (8)
15 Counter with "spend or be damned!" (7)
17 It's descriptive of Yellowstone and Yosemite but it's pants! (1-6)
20 When a suit's to be pressed, one can do it for you! (8)
22 Without it, guilty as charged, which is shocking (4)
25 Eve begins correspondence in this philosophical issue (6)
26 On the farm, one's outrageously daring between the lines (4,4)
27, 28 The fewer the hits, the more successful it's been! (5,5,4)

DOWN

- 1** Prize Scotch two-thirds gone, drunk by youth (5)
2 Marksman gets the bird, right? (6)
3 Organisation quick to measure disconnect (8)
4, 19 Retailers chasing cyclist are wide boys! (7,7)
5 American's tone is trouble for state (8)
6 Carrying on? No, so gone off to make love (9)
9 Impressive Ealing comedy first to feature detective (4)
14 H has the advantage! (4,5)
16 Laid on expert who struggled to keep date (8)
18 Profanity on island in Essex (8)
19 See 4
21 Partially collapsed during recess (4)
23 Gift, for example, wrapped in something ornate (6)
24 Mrs Grundy is cautious and wise? Not half! (5)

JOTTER PAD

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