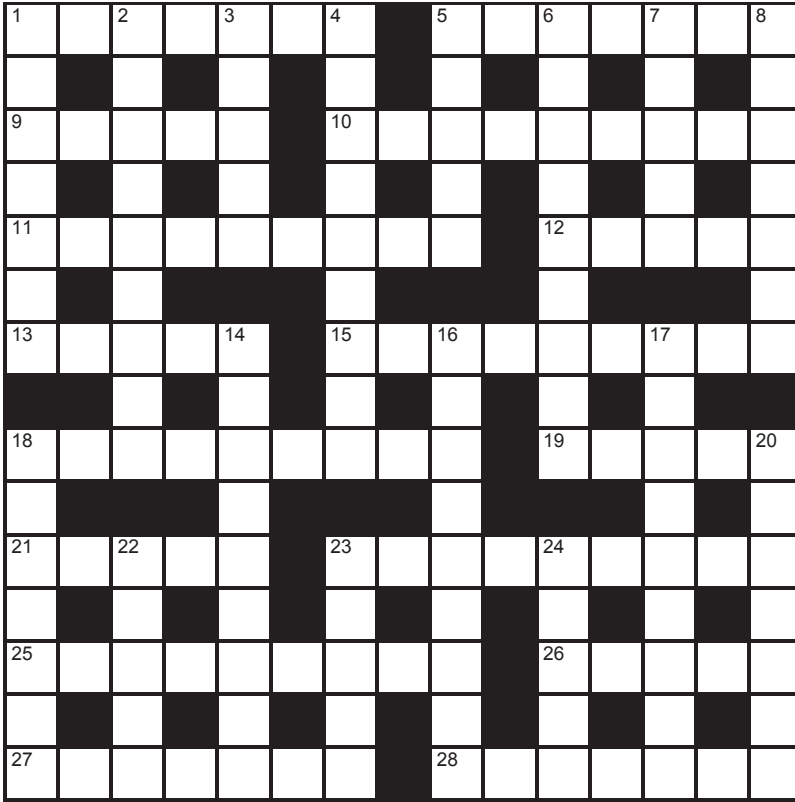


# CROSSWORD

No 16,654 Set by HAMILTON



## ACROSS

- 1, 8 Very quickly, nightmare affected Flora there (4,3,7)
- 5, 28 Playing with remote Anglo-French commuter's routine? (7-7)
- 9 Sheila Bellingham's trademark (5)
- 10 "It's upsetting", Pepys said, broken (9)
- 11 Lady Anna's unhappy being Freud's subject (9)
- 12 Alternatively, trial half this depth of soil (5)
- 13 Working steadily? Not at first, that would be mendacious (5)
- 15 One has town on the Wye returned to lawful body (9)
- 18 Branching out, study reviewer opens with the next letter (9)
- 19 Brief time that Dad's into bondage (5)
- 21 Fresh draught reported in region of the Nile (5)
- 23 Performance dumbfounds housewife (5,4)
- 25 Beastly sounding tactics (9)
- 26 Irish lad's joyful cry in the courtyard (5)

## DOWN

- 1, 27 Bag singles from the pack to gain the advantage (4,3,3,4)
- 2 Literary minder (9)
- 3 Perfectly hairy after changing sides (5)
- 4 Trodden underfoot by the privileged few (3,6)
- 5 Boxed in when Chancellor's outside department (5)
- 6 Ten spades dealt with masterly skill (9)
- 7 Congested US research centre gets final deferral (5)
- 8 See 1 across
- 14 Re-examined government criteria for old people (9)
- 16 Photos given to CIA revealed personality disorder sufferer (9)
- 17 Resort where billionaire's called for something Italian (9)
- 18, 20 My advice to solvers so there's no misunderstanding (4,3,2,5)
- 22 Note how cleric fills empty bottle (5)
- 23 Maybe Victoria Road in Belfast (5)
- 24 Vampire's literally holding back tear (3,2)

## JOTTER PAD

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