

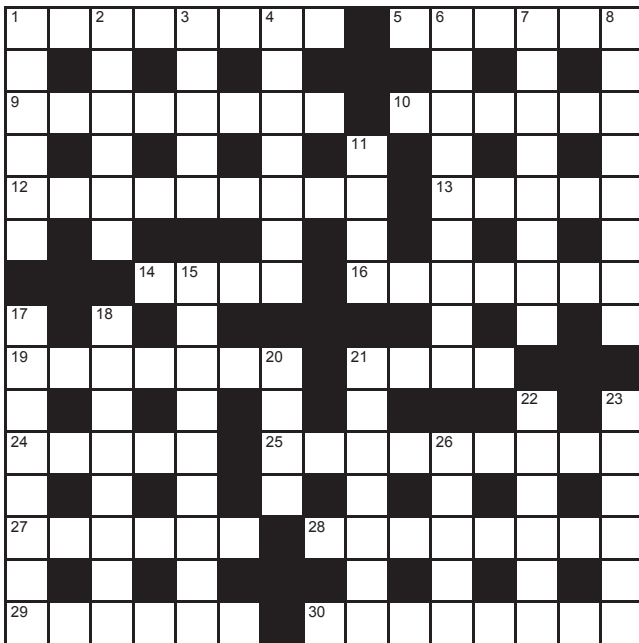
# Crossword 17,166 Set by MUDD

## ACROSS

- 1 A newspaper probing corruption in minister's residence (8)
- 5 Spinner again drops back? (6)
- 9 Dock, requiring eighth container, reportedly? (8)
- 10 Wine better, alcoholic drinks on the counter (6)
- 12 Small avian one removed from stuffed Easter bird (9)
- 13 Fish growth reversed by antimicrobial, finally (5)
- 14 Plump for cream (4)
- 16 Book is being devised by him (7)
- 19 Earring, one found in bed (7)
- 21 Summit made primate cross (4)
- 24 Old French province covered by Italian journal (5)
- 25 Teaspoons stirred in talc (9)
- 27 Heyday for accountant? (6)
- 28 Immodest, petulant nag, or radical revolutionary's kidnapped (8)
- 29 Number in film in "Manhattan", perhaps? (6)
- 30 Pen is working on Mudd's image management (8)

## DOWN

- 1 Change absorbing religious book for devout follower (6)
- 2 Dirty colour initially red (6)
- 3 Runner, one in posh car (5)
- 4 Retrieve number one from the sixties (3,4)
- 6 A drink served up with food, tasty (9)
- 7 Ship captured by Degas on the rocks, in brutal times (4,4)
- 8 Callous, deceitful head's left (8)
- 11 US state out, I see, to depose leader (4)
- 15 Foolish devil insolent, not heartless (9)
- 17 Bumper knocked from car that's backing up, idiot in front - one paid for hit? (8)
- 18 Pickle entering country, righteous son (8)
- 20 Flower was revolting (4)
- 21 Praise of Persia, for example? (7)
- 22 Chaos, port essentially cutting service (6)
- 23 Church official from the other century (6)
- 26 Track heading for road, oh dear, going the wrong way (5)



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