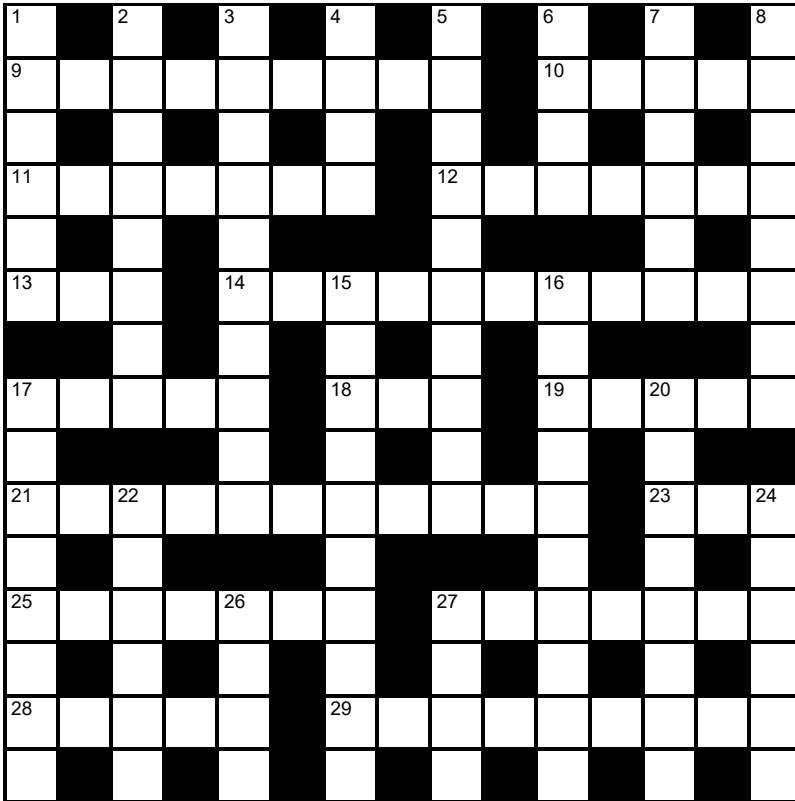


# CROSSWORD

No 17,278 Set by BOBCAT



## ACROSS

- 9 Child you heard checking memory exercises makes notes for recital? (9)
- 10 Words prefacing explanation of couple finding love (3,2)
- 11 Factory's reason for dismissing leader that's shiftless (7)
- 12 Crazy, in fact, about Romeo? (7)
- 13 Daily grind does engender this (3)
- 14 One earning more than a jobsworth reportedly means to fire gutless idiot first (1)
- 17 Object in turn to Pierre's or Tom's expression (5)
- 18 The essence of Gregory I? (3)
- 19 Opening 50% of shy people missed (5)
- 21 Monet's spaces nearly all served as counterbalances (11)
- 23 Fellow's eager, but only half-heartedly so (3)
- 25 Notice probe after removing covers and changing positions of automated device (7)
- 27 Read racy novel lacking right provision for youngsters? (3,4)
- 28 Sign of edited literature making a comeback (5)
- 29 Clean up scandal of former contracted notice of contentment? (9)

## DOWN

- 1 Show little hesitation supporting what could be *Private Eye* (6)
- 2 *Times* article elevates work before light entertainment (8)
- 3 Pest requiring division of school computer equipment (5,5)
- 4 Bring down the curtain on production of *Cats*? (4)
- 5 Cut lead off damaged covering (6,4)
- 6 Thought most of the best (4)
- 7 Recording interrupts order to reinstate group (6)
- 8 Composition of union is next to zero (8)
- 15 In one respect, strangely enough, it's well known (4,6)
- 16 They dispute philosopher's calling out of prophets a *priori* (10)
- 17 Steep cost of ground spice? (8)
- 20 Mistake a wayfarer having eaten here? (8)
- 22 Means of transmitting outside broadcast is limited by distance (6)
- 24 One wants heckler to drive Liberal away (6)
- 26 Starts to travel regularly (every Easter) in plane? (4)
- 27 Information's intermittently dropped when editor's around (4)

## JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,277



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