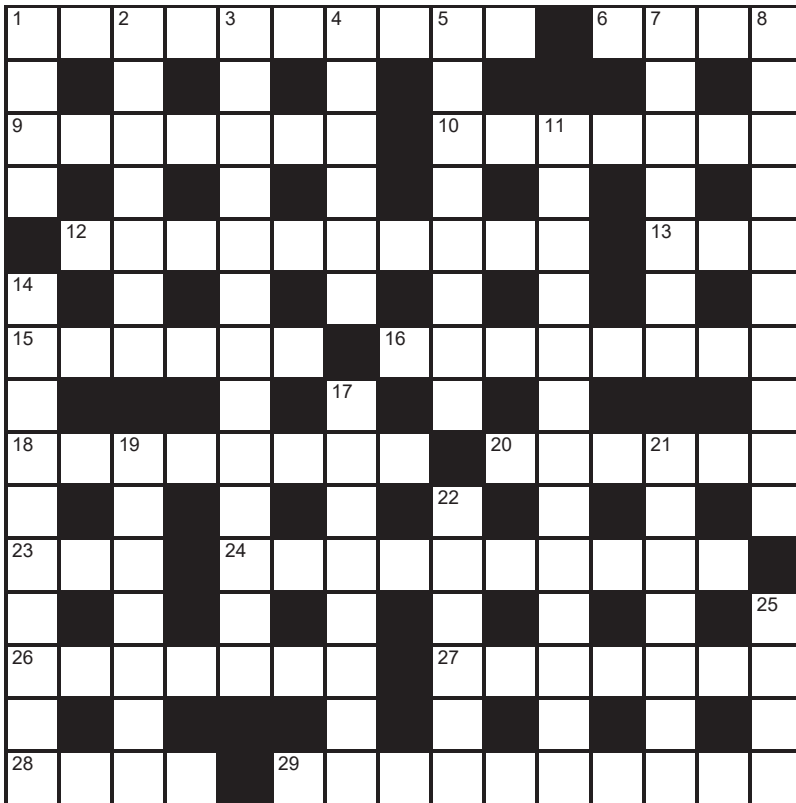


# CROSSWORD

No 17,452 Set by ARTEXLEN



## ACROSS

- 1 Good luck penetrating wall Thebes toughened (3,3,4)  
 6 Birds on walls regularly overlooked (4)  
 9 Worker in gallery starts to verify artwork depicting goddess (7)  
 10 Dim man in family backing Gunners (7)  
 12 Not working is not acceptable (3,2,5)  
 13 Promise to cut grass (3)  
 15 Divorced detective residing in most favourable accommodation (6)  
 16 Heard woman's not single? Wrong! (8)  
 18 Would eat nuts — not permitted (8)  
 20 Commands from court received by page after returning (6)  
 23 Picked up gross vase (3)  
 24 Impious one beside bishop carrying scripture in case (10)  
 26 Jobs along with feeding strays (7)  
 27 Pronounced colour known to be worn by Republican fanatic (7)  
 28 European overwhelmed by work about to cry (4)  
 29 Do easy line after correcting saw (4,4,2)

## DOWN

- 1 Forces raising advanced weapons (4)  
 2 Flagging article in guild to be restored (7)  
 3 Agreement suffering, nothing is admitted by country (13)  
 4 Light comedy's fourth penned by notable Elizabethan (6)  
 5 Soldier having small muscle ache (8)  
 7 Some time to eat upwards fifty of brownies? (3,4)  
 8 Told to wind metal watches for study (10)  
 11 Cast actor: diver in Italy to evacuate major vessel (7,6)  
 14 Completely refurbished lousy table (10)  
 17 Underwear on king in mostly tidy state (8)  
 19 Part of plant terribly interlaced, not great (7)  
 21 Dances around with new headphones (7)  
 22 Occasionally nervy and deed gets avoided (6)  
 25 Deity I elementarily exposed (4)

## JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,450



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