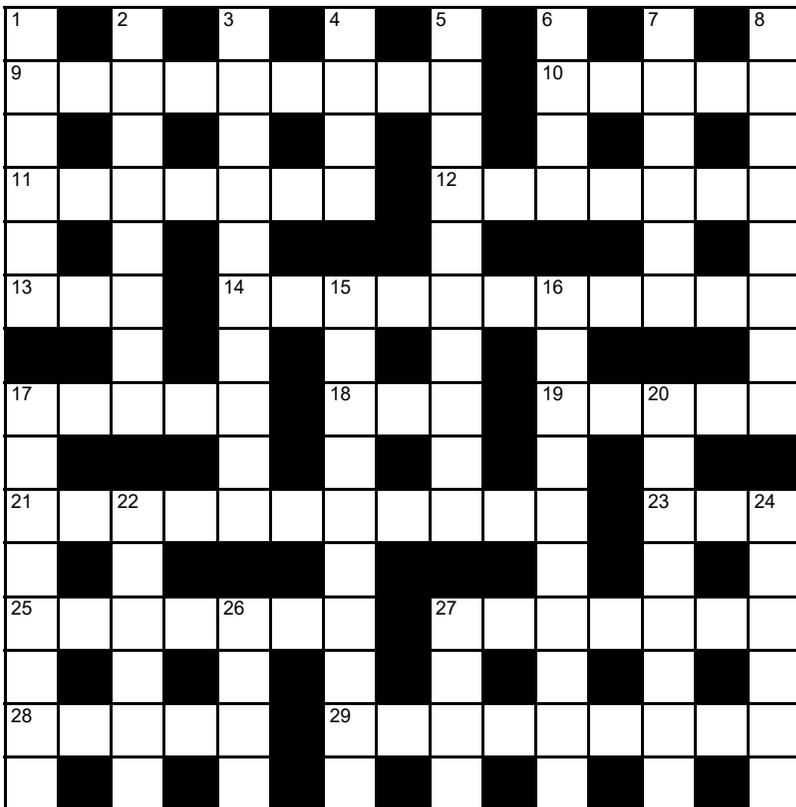


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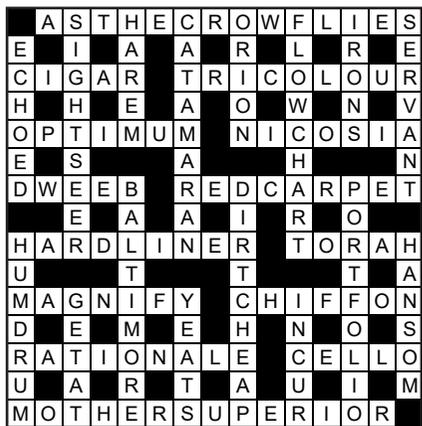
- 9 Just one Roman poet's written about power (9)
- 10 Overweight villain in film (5)
- 11 Short account about Channel Island current (7)
- 12 Disliked newcomer stumped in superior role (7)
- 13 Neverending journey made free (3)
- 14 Columnist is for slamming 1/24 hit (4,2,5)
- 17 Ancient region lately evacuated, charity recalled (5)
- 18 Ottoman officer edges away from infidel (3)
- 19 Impressive flower by river in country (5)
- 21 Wife early, dancing round before noon for 1/24 hit (2,3,6)
- 23 Fool starts with absolutely stupid statement (3)
- 25 A special check for bituminous substance (7)
- 27 Pressure to cause irritation for yak (7)
- 28 Ancient Peruvian preserved? (5)
- 29 Girl embracing boy after the 14 or 21 vis-à-vis 1/24? (5,4)

DOWN

- 1/24 Nuns on ridge in vocal group (6,6)
- 2 Spindle wounded daughter, cracking (8)
- 3 Publicly announce metal group's break-up? (10)
- 4 Herb swallowed at last by crook (4)
- 5 Enlightened and elevated, I beat two crossing Scots isle (10)
- 6 So tense, American seen outside hospital (4)
- 7 Small girl heading north finds badger (6)
- 8 Goodness! Saint with sloshed laic becomes obscure (8)
- 15 Cave deposit no longer fresh — work with it inside (10)
- 16 One revelling in somewhat tight score, needing runs (10)
- 17 Wiseacre in LA beginning to talk in vulgar language (3,5)
- 20 Response from sappers joining battle (8)
- 22 Animal in mountain pasture a feline lacking tail (6)
- 24 See 1
- 26 Good riddance to thin-faced kinswoman? (4)
- 27 Sunak's written about Old English verse (4)

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