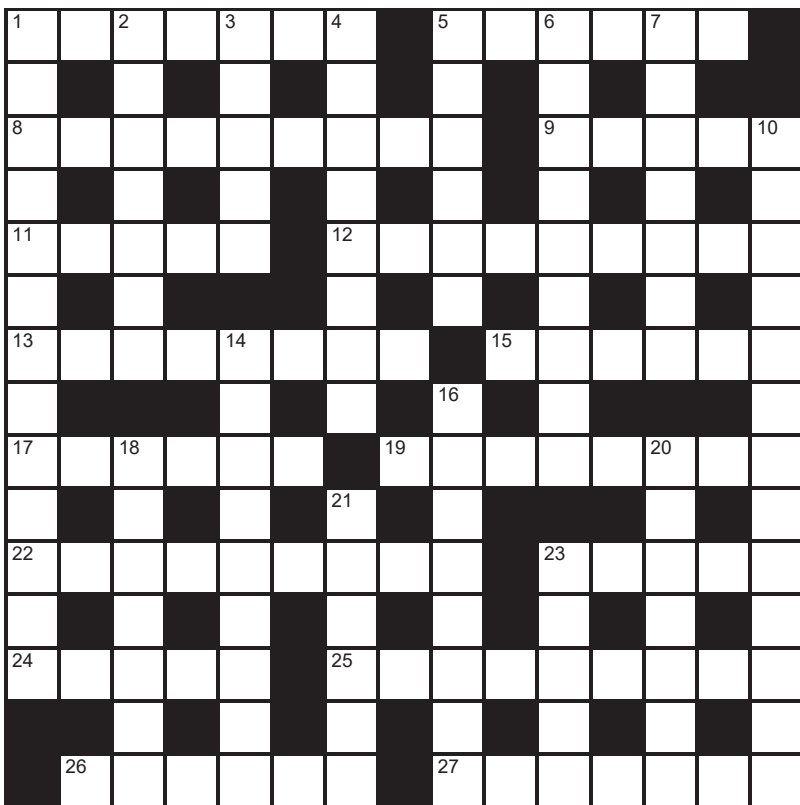


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ACROSS

- 1 Such as dragon emblem on sterling pounds? (7)
- 5 Antidote impeding onset of really advanced poison (6)
- 8 Andean bar prepared dish served with curry (4,5)
- 9 Wine area, freezing cold, next to the sea (5)
- 11 Piece of pufferfish served with starter of edamame (5)
- 12 Tender Conservative's church donation (9)
- 13 Brilliant German wingers from Stuttgart feature in 1-1 at home (8)
- 15 Chain article King authorised (6)
- 17 Agreeable house where René loses cat? (3,3)
- 19 Badlands dry, but Wolds stormy (4,4)
- 22 On board Giza bus, I'm Belgian, Poirot — here for *Death on the Nile* (3,6)
- 23 Greek character regularly scratches itchiest area (5)
- 24 Economics theorist, not left, not right, is missing... unknown fate (5)
- 25 Korea pro sent off after tackling Charlie or Tommy? (4,5)
- 26 Team turned over North American inventor (6)
- 27 Close cup game that could go on fairly late (7)

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JOTTER PAD

DOWN

- 1 Work introduction to *Moll Flanders* after freshening up with a kip (9,4)
- 2 Orderly soldier beginning to need strong drink (4,3)
- 3 Book featured in story board (5)
- 4 Endlessly wealthy, inclusive Trojan hero about to drop bombastic speech (8)
- 5 Digest white fish I finally gutted (6)
- 6 The Nightwatchman? (9)
- 7 Vote to support left winger? (7)
- 10 Criminal cartel pays about 100,000 Rupees for football team (7,6)
- 14 Play Ravel's hit composition (3,6)
- 16 Flighty individual, upper-class, British evicting European landlord (8)
- 18 Escorted note penned in sepia (7)
- 20 Odd bits of Edam plain sandwiches? Get stuffed! (7)
- 21 Fairy king discovering sober irony (6)
- 23 Scant coverage of Violet Elizabeth's ballad? (5)



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