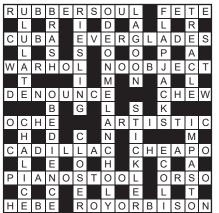
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### Solution 17,660





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### ACROSS

1 Argue over daughter's news (4)

4 Inventor of old boat was originally correct (9)

9 Sharply swinging both ways, aquiver (8)

10 Regularly slip by fast mum (6)

**11** Punishment once upset lad in refuge (4,6)

**12** Exhausted by choice between diametrically opposite points? (4)

13 Cable with uninitiated rental (4)

**15** *Team Blue* led off, up to the left or right (4-6)

17 Best, eg, to label for moving (10)

**20** Decapitated pig's dark-red (4)

22 Square equals two thirds of six? (4)

**23** Knocked south, losing seconds in unfavourable sea (10)

**25** Fliers returning over El Salvador's islands (6)

26 Journalist resisted sports (8)

**27** Boy is into creative subjects, those hiding a burning desire? (9)

**28** Girl moaning about hugs (4)

### DOWN

2 Paperwork from folders (7)

**3** Romeo, having popped off outside, stopped being soppy (5)

**4** Foul, interminable canal seepage disheartened part of the Med (6,3)

**5** Means to decode unknown interrupting energy signal (7)

**6** Section of flight concerning gent in a spin? (5)

**7** Woman to whom links might portend loneliness (4,5)

8 Bore not quite following 10's thread (7)14 Privately tipped focus ahead of common sense (5.4)

**16** Scratching backside, Russian almost tore damaged muscle (9)

**18** Satisfactory, to some extent unending, Pacific campaign (7)

**19** What may pursue snakes and large snakes (7)

**21** Uncovered penniless, desperate composer (7)

**23** Final 60% of extra pay rises for petty officer (5)

**24** Mathematician shunning grand city on the Po (5)

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