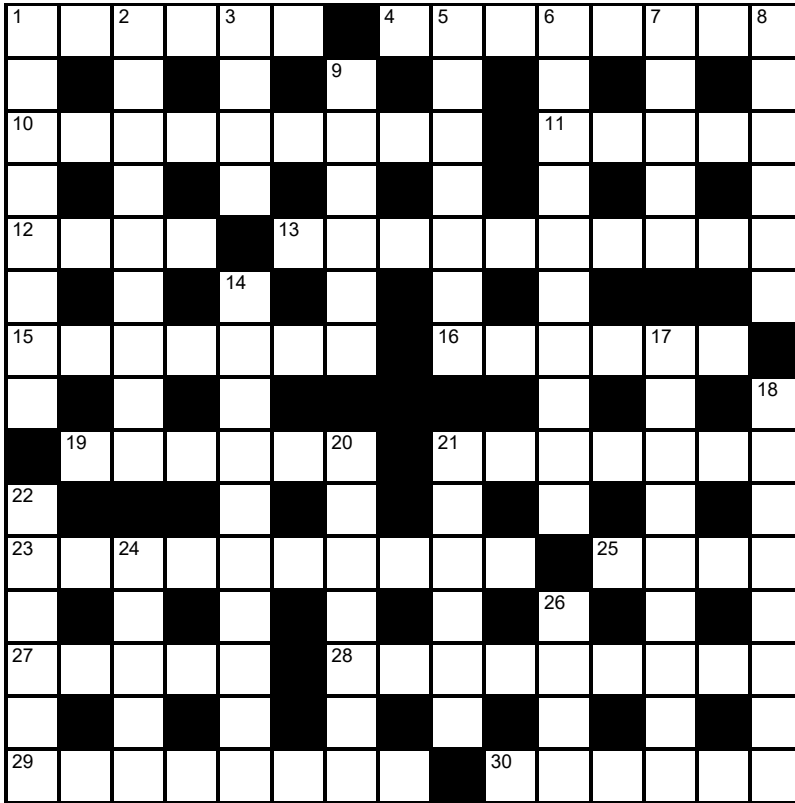


CROSSWORD

No 17,673 Set by BASILISK



ACROSS

- 1 What may be less effective than pens in crossword-solving? (6)
- 4 State winner with naked prejudice (8)
- 10 Stropmy understudy initially occupying number of small parts (9)
- 11 Corrupt church on losing end of argument in tribunal (5)
- 12 Studied indifference may irritate friend in the end (4)
- 13 Alluded to Respect, putting Democrat last, behind Republican (10)
- 15 Look into fire brought about by explosive device (7)
- 16 Sewer's fixing running issue (6)
- 19 Electric vehicle went on the outside and drove round the bend (6)
- 21 Person employed by company is part of the furniture (7)
- 23 Reindeer contaminated with TB reproduce to create new variants (10)
- 25 Bridge partners regularly play boards (4)
- 27 Independent judge is infuriated (5)
- 28 Quarantine could control and confine it potentially (9)
- 29 Barbaric immorality rejecting modus operandi of servicemen (8)
- 30 Check that is used to screen politician meeting journalist (6)

DOWN

- 1 Subdued offspring half-heartedly eats a lot (8)
- 2 Display of the cross is behind round part of church typically (2,7)
- 3 Daughter had court appointment (4)
- 5 Broadcasters take legal action to stop vacuous scandalmonger disrupting lives (7)
- 6 Material protections applicable to consumers and board? (5,5)
- 7 University dons primarily researched contents of ancient letters (5)
- 8 Part of honeytrap hid something from these suckers (6)
- 9 He wrote *The Rape of the Lock* and *The Ancient Mariner* (6)
- 14 Animated evil sister with the palest complexion (10)
- 17 Damage to retailer and rabid eurosceptic after leaving EU (4,5)
- 18 Regulation has one going great guns! (8)
- 20 Clear up row showing less regard for decency (7)
- 21 Suffer rapid losses as fiefdom abruptly collapses (3,3)
- 22 Harm involving religious instruction upset prophetess (6)
- 24 Storyteller beginning to talk on backing track (5)
- 26 Computers set up phishing attack? (4)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,672



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