

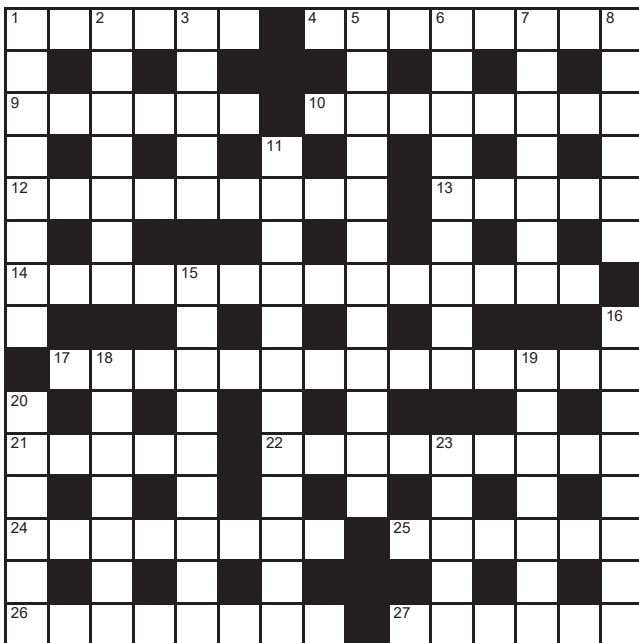
CROSSWORD 17,713 by LEONIDAS

ACROSS

- 1** Pull this to swing the lead (6)
4 Fake news: \$1000 invested by island player (8)
9 Fancy mineral coating twisted bronze (6)
10 Drinks one in front of adult film (8)
12 TIME regularly parodies every PM (9)
13 Excel not in DOS: ultimately scrapped (5)
14 Layering stone meets with approval (14)
17 Reliable officer roared across epicentre of battle (6-8)
21 Cloud Yankee is in (5)
22 3 overlooking hard family's elevated dwelling (4,5)
24 Artist in country skinned best game (8)
25 Male insect? Setter had another sort (6)
26 European really embraces iron drink (8)
27 Course bamboozled Master (6)

DOWN

- 1** Most robust porter is in Gard du Nord (8)
2 Outline opportunity to meet inmates? (7)
3 Tiny bits of 10 on unfinished job (5)
5 Chart evil con in action book with pictures (7,5)
6 Idiot cheers inside castle in retaliation (3,3,3)
7 Gentleman served up possibly a German dish (7)
8 One of seven old harps played (6)
11 Relatives perhaps written as 'Ca' and 'Ab' (4-8)
15 Pour wine around base of very cold dessert (5,4)
16 PS maybe Dad & Ned in trouble, not sure (8)
18 Illuminant cat almost overturned, 50A reportedly (3,4)
19 Release overseen by second high-up lawman? (7)
20 Forged pieces? (6)
23 Courage of rector interrupting Passion (5)



Solution 17,707



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