

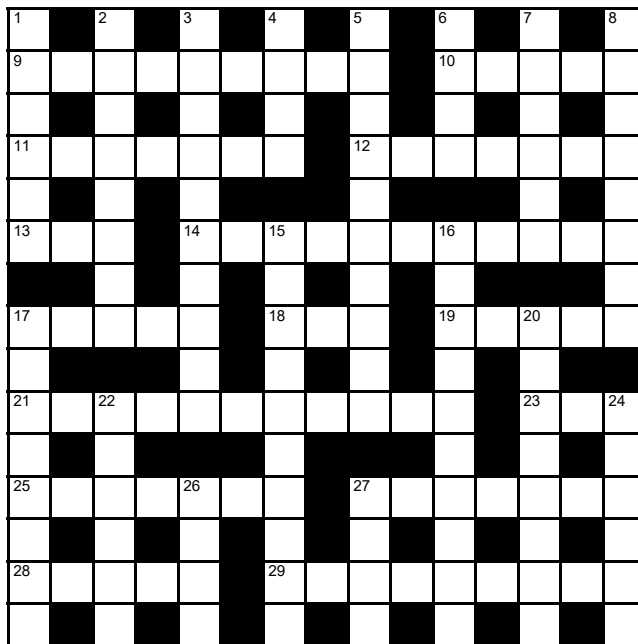
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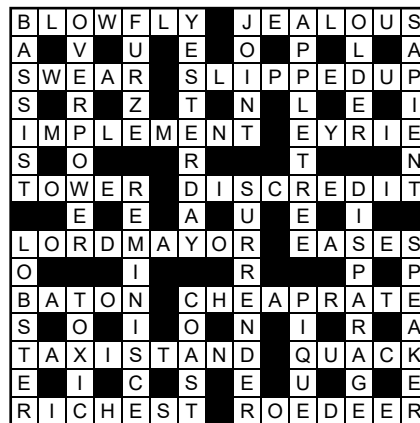
- 9** Clingy group of relatives mean to follow son (9)
10 British visitor to Mecca's fare from Asia (5)
11 After second-half loss, Matt Busby maybe starts to mistrust almost revered figure (7)
12 Run back with weapon, not large — pack little one? (4,3)
13 Help for official in left-leaning party, mostly (1,1,1)
14 Group of drinkers keeping a wine around that is creating positive vibe between people (11)
17/18/19 Unknown soldiers wash anorak worn by king in film (5,3,5)
21 Outcomes of great shots — a cricketer runs during defeats (11)
23 Just beat the hero of a Victorian novel (3)
25 Source of crude attention-seeker's remark and surprised comment on line (3,4)
27 Fan of the best vermouth in on-line catalogue? (7)
28 They may be beside river in English city, after changing direction (5)
29 Joining and being in the army, I will get overlooked (9)

DOWN

- 1** American brings up timeless, revolutionary writer (6)
2 More appalling clothing article? I can't make my mind up! (8)
3 Skill of government ministers, say, about getting good deal (10)
4 Asian city put up gargantuan houses (4)
5 One with a high-flying job reads novel and feels agitation about it (10)
6 Record company gives away pounds for one in Genesis (4)
7 Crashed car with Ned Kelly, say (6)
8 Decisive event in reporter's Asian holiday (8)
15 Perhaps like an untested vehicle, keeping one running still (10)
16 Drops wrapping one gets out for biscuits (10)
17 Axes guards working at role, showing excess of enthusiasm (8)
20 Graphic sex not initially allowed, hugging gently (8)
22 House of note in America, and in France (6)
24 Part of book, entertaining books in French course? (6)
26 Anthea's yummy sandwiches resembling a picnic? (4)
27 Singer and friend of Louis Quatorze ultimately wholly upset (4)



Solution 17,854



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