

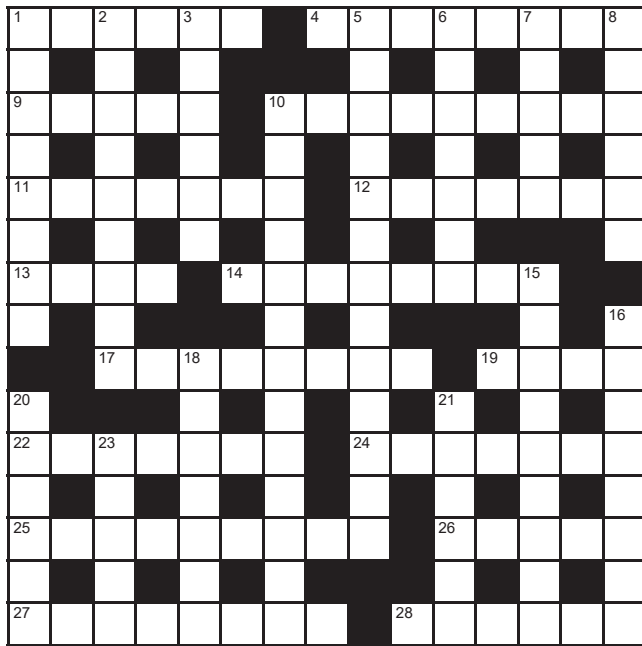
# CROSSWORD 17,890 by ZAMORCA

## ACROSS

- 1** Copy shortened fencing tool to stop rodent (6)  
**4** That Duke in France, taken in by agronomist, drained ancient water channel (8)  
**9** Landscape by very first academican (5)  
**11** Show senior royal dismissing knight's reasonable charge (4,5)  
**11** Battle to reverse wood's poor treatment (3,4)  
**12** Most generous send nuts to feed baby otter (7)  
**13** Messed up by American whisky we hear! (4)  
**14** Slips girl note and posy every now and then (8)  
**17** Ignore son playing rough and very loud (5,3)  
**19** Kid banks on judge suppressing fine (4)  
**22** Unavailability of baked beans emptied cafe (7)  
**24** Beer and wine-drinking teenagers initially warned (7)  
**25** Immediately in favour of detailed articles about women's organisation (9)  
**26** Buffalo never content to be solitary (5)  
**27** Fantastic art grade needed for fashion business (3,5)  
**28** Woman tackling popular right gets black eye (6)

## DOWN

- 1** Blow from vertical beam very incompletely secured (8)  
**2** Security measures permit carrying weapon (9)  
**3** Astonished by newly made pocket for streetmap (6)  
**5** Ford, in fiscal trouble, is blocking defeat rapidly (5,2,1,5)  
**6** Delete Twitter back-up that's no good in tablets (7)  
**7** Band takes off-roader round Northern Ireland (5)  
**8** Score in race gathering over New Year (6)  
**10** Being injured in autumn, female deer's losing ground (7,6)  
**15** Talk loudly over two hounds barking (5,4)  
**16** Notice man in front has tools and helmet (8)  
**18** Mid-west farmer galloped around there endlessly (7)  
**20** Manager who makes embarrassing remarks? (6)  
**21** Remove incorrect date on chart, no skill required (6)  
**23** Special equipment for shoot (5)



Solution 17,884

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