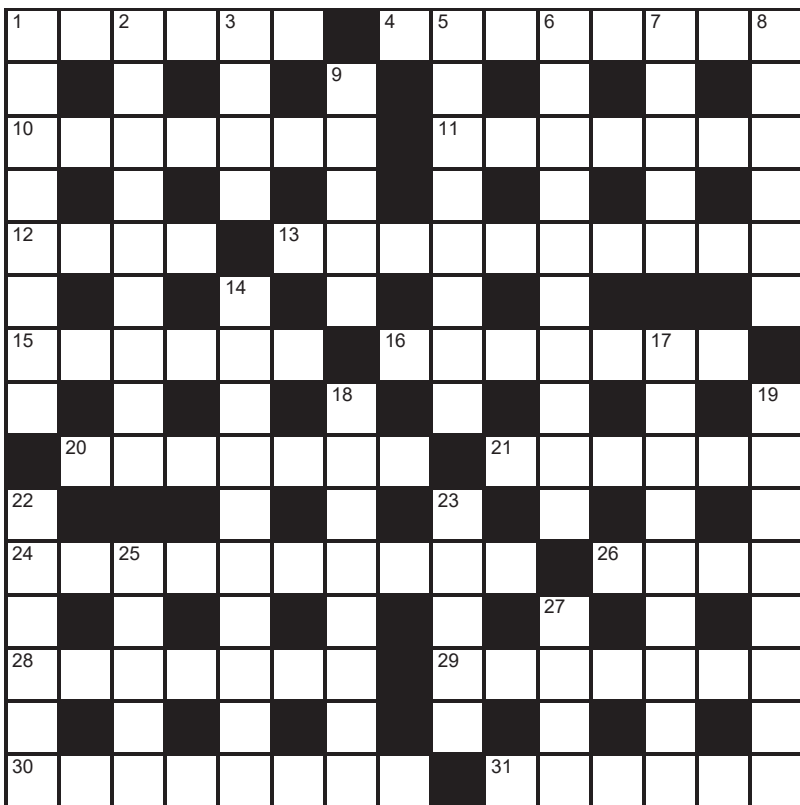


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ACROSS

- 1 Throw away last of lime pickle (6)
- 4 Mixed up with Italian-American arrested by FBI agent (8)
- 10 Struggling American tenor accepting drop of ale showing sudden burst of energy (2,1,4)
- 11 Princess, interrupting, spoken about earlier as friendly (7)
- 12 Go well with diamonds perhaps (4)
- 13 Downcast university fellow embracing psychic powers against depression (10)
- 15 Learn to knit (6)
- 16 Bunk about return of report being delayed (7)
- 20 Deserve on account of enthusiastic approval (7)
- 21 In an excited state after explosion in jail (4,2)
- 24 Simple for early teen playing without a hint of misgiving (10)
- 26 Ms Arterton binning Greene's first novel (4)
- 28 Customary, for example, in rural sports (7)
- 29 In anticipation of Matt regularly keeping profits (7)
- 30 Recall having a tie (8)
- 31 Shady fellow kicked out of amusement park (6)

DOWN

- 1 Indicate assuming raised location of red light for instance (4,4)
- 2 Pragmatic about the greatest criticism? Largely (9)
- 3 Safe to ignore the first fellow (4)
- 5 In use in Cuba during violent coup? That's initially disputed (8)
- 6 Lost in thought over Dan excited by a great deal (3,3,4)
- 7 Lapse in transparency (5)
- 8 Make less forceful Native American support cover-up (6)
- 9 Hears of Rex getting into bonds (5)
- 14 Rich indeed being restored to health I hear (4-6)
- 17 What workaholics exhibit is, therefore, a mental disorder (9)
- 18 Old queen's carriage (8)
- 19 Odds on model entering towards the end to make a splash (8)
- 22 At this point obtaining book on Welsh language (6)
- 23 Deal with source of danger Henry dismissed (5)
- 25 Crew in consequence failing to start (5)
- 27 Piece of steak say (4)

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