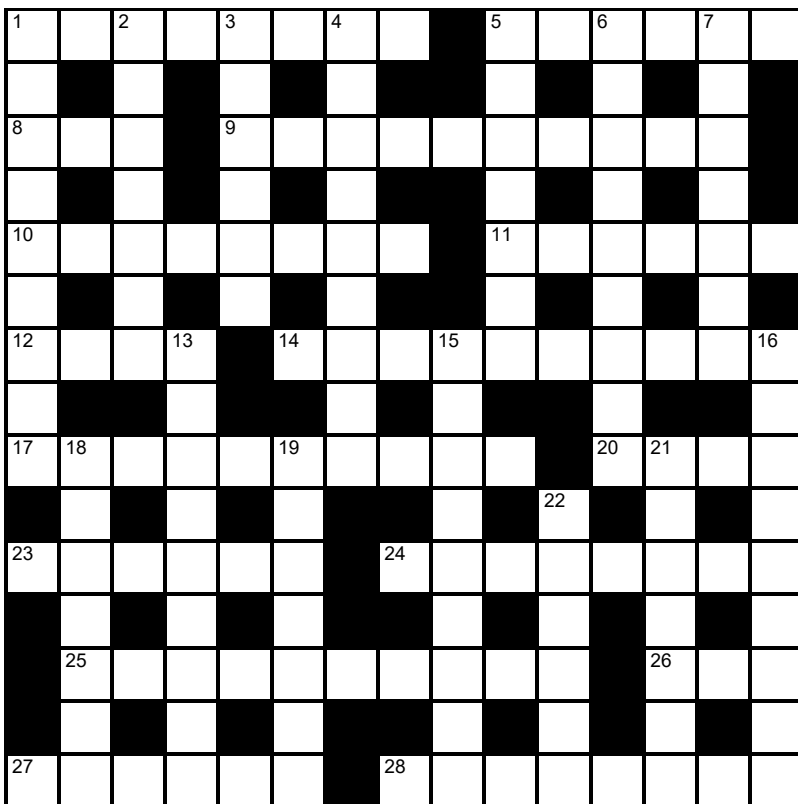


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ACROSS

- 1 Fashion house turned back on woman dressing softly rounded figure (8)
- 5 Dingy quiet place for monks lacking energy (6)
- 8 Short docked dog (3)
- 9 Starting afresh — compensation for divorce? (10)
- 10 Discharge space flight without leader (8)
- 11 Una's cycling around South American capital (6)
- 12 Giving this story an urban setting would make sense (4)
- 14 Entitlement of Trump's to deliver justice? (10)
- 17 Cook desperately short of seconds time and again (10)
- 20 Exchange seat vacated by learned cleric (4)
- 23 Fascinating woman liberates priest in sacred text (6)
- 24 Suspicious absence of papers dogs soldier (8)
- 25 Swimming in and out in deluge (10)
- 26 Member displaying European dedication (3)
- 27 Taunt the French with a form of hell (6)
- 28 Conscious of millions not holding opinion? The opposite (8)

DOWN

- 1 Doctor Seuss created odd characters, originally encountering resistance. Who will replace him? (9)
- 2 Fish served by mother catering in half portions (7)
- 3 Stand up to retired sibling bores (6)
- 4 Speak off the cuff, taking line from Primo Levi's novel (9)
- 5 Firm to stop water leaking? (7)
- 6 MAs and PhDs, two in Rome, exploited position on board (9)
- 7 High point in the Cairngorms, riverless ground below (7)
- 13 Where setter goes in a Rugby gathering to be stunned (9)
- 15 Short story about musical enthrals king. That's saying a lot (9)
- 16 Most funky object irritates crowds over time (9)
- 18 Survey area enclosed by defunct colliery (7)
- 19 I denied involvement in play with entertaining adult nonsense (7)
- 21 One of a dozen supper guests put up beer bottles (7)
- 22 Attractive piece, often game, a bit stuck-up? (6)

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