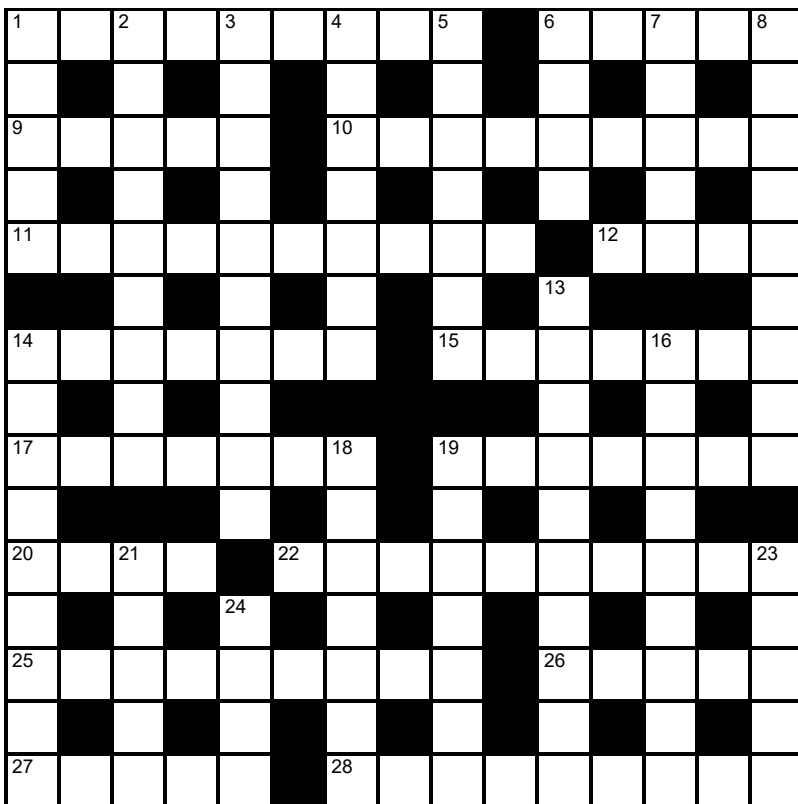


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ACROSS

- 1 Scotsman's side upset supporter (9)
- 6 Support for international singer overwhelming (5)
- 9 Grandma of northern girl whichever way you look at it (5)
- 10 Coming together to utter obscenities over working at company (9)
- 11 Immense novel so romantic (10)
- 12 Dance in clogs endlessly (4)
- 14 Old attempt to bury sad story (7)
- 15 Managed to be sold around Louisiana as breakfast food (7)
- 17 Meeting shrink without resistance (7)
- 19 Recorded in history when Blues' back moved up front and scored at the end (7)
- 20 Not liable to run quickly (4)
- 22 Flashy head of Biology seen with Heather repeatedly (5-5)
- 25 Detestable mole angrily framing Athos in error (9)
- 26 Make less from what a cricketer needs at end of game (5)
- 27 Why mention president's expression of alarm? (5)
- 28 Pressure on me to find a piece of terrycloth good for stuffing (9)

DOWN

- 1 Almost a month engaged in setting up military government (5)
- 2 Against taking sieve by force (9)
- 3 Cleaner getting work over time on sets primarily of shows like Corrie (4,6)
- 4 Fellow on Ecstasy thrown out of dining room in clergyman's residence (7)
- 5 Penny finding the last part not yet finished (7)
- 6 King after an expression of dissatisfaction shows reserve (4)
- 7 Country songs about embracing end of journey (5)
- 8 Music producer's staying power seen at Dutch bar earlier (5,4)
- 13 Shaving aid found in blazer Rod lost touring Austria (5,5)
- 14 Time to behave in all respects with diplomacy (9)
- 16 Begin harangue about hairpiece wife mislaid at home (9)
- 18 Out of sorts after count's reprimand (4,3)
- 19 Reproduction of a Rubens showing consumer of honey and insects (3,4)
- 21 Stern of extremely swift boat (5)
- 23 Large jar by the sound of it (5)
- 24 So enthusiastic? Not entirely (4)

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