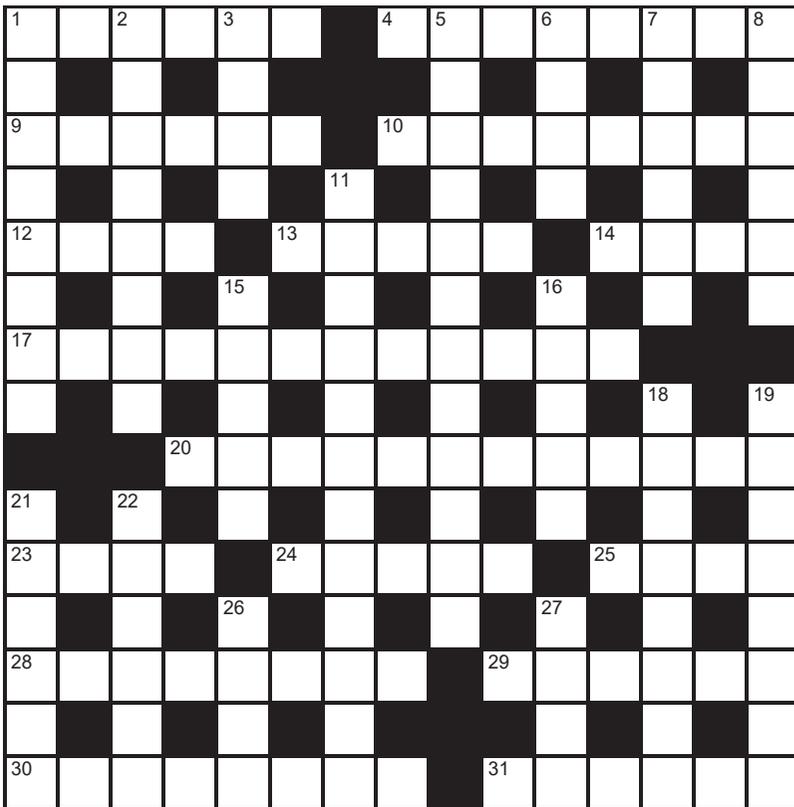


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ACROSS

- 1 Light-heartedness, that thing constrained by duty (6)
- 4 Watch muscle shown in government (8)
- 9 On mother's ruin, a Latin queen (6)
- 10 Obvious name fits criminal (8)
- 12 Blue clothes back in fashion — that's light beige (4)
- 13 Easter animal, cakey? (5)
- 14 I had crusts on large loaf (4)
- 17 Surprisingly hot, perhaps — and resistant to pepper, might one say? (12)
- 20 Pedagogue rude, charmless too (12)
- 23 Clue within these boxes (4)
- 24 Female copper? (5)
- 25 Join fool in conversation? (4)
- 28 Made public, plant in which meat hidden (8)
- 29 Tacky — and warm, it's suggested? (6)
- 30 I go along with gang, thieving (8)
- 31 Somewhat cunning cutting thickness of rope, say (6)

DOWN

- 1 Plant bird on egg (8)
- 2 Pushing the beastly things aside, Ming vase smashed (8)
- 3 Container for fish was whiffy when surface skimmed off (4)
- 5 Prairie's struggling, it's simple (5,7)
- 6 24 Across, say, one invested in scam (4)
- 7 Schedule a female, for example, announced? (6)
- 8 Book: there's novel! (6)
- 11 Twitching too, as neurone fired (3,2,4,3)
- 15 Fresh — as sriracha? (5)
- 16 Punctured tyre hampers old delivery vehicle (5)
- 18 Be easily visible, also in bold (5,3)
- 19 Anything but sweet, collaborator with a dose of cruelty (8)
- 21 Angel fish swallowing old sovereign (6)
- 22 Full of potholes, perhaps — is that odd? (6)
- 26 Country music Americans love is always taking the lead (4)
- 27 South American once in Spain, Catalonia (4)

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