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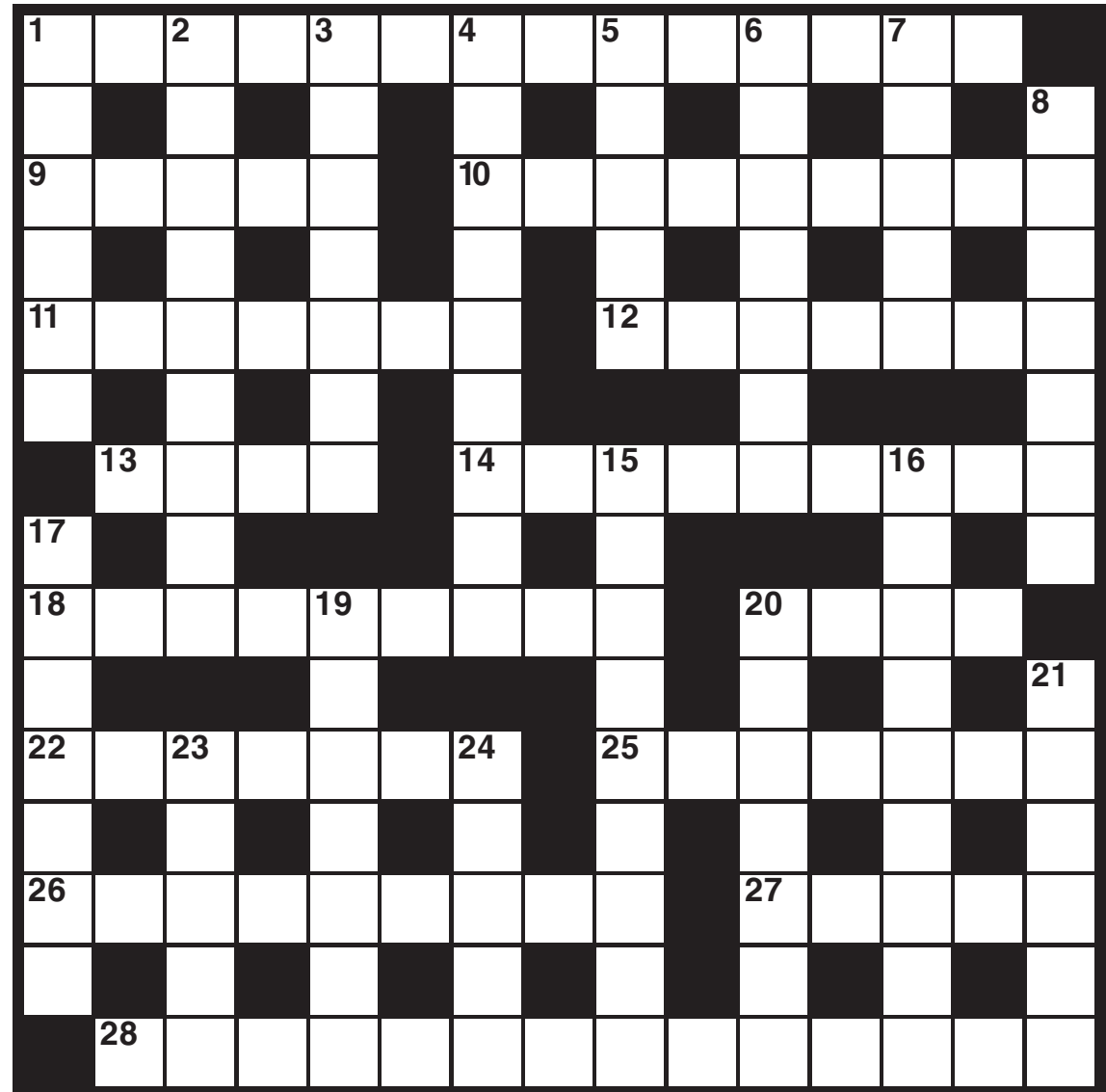
- 1 With boot I push Clara roughly – she has a fear of confined spaces (14)
- 9 Or surround the alternative (5)
- 10 People from Italy and Nantes I've distressed (9)
- 11 Warship liable to be quarantined? (7)
- 12 Room for one small measure kept in block (7)
- 13 Take risks when cut up (4)
- 14 Or different sage (9)
- 18 Long time in larder to make splendid display (9)
- 20 Battery room (4)
- 22 Charges a size unit of engines and functions (7)
- 25 Apex of building poor, oft shabby (7)
- 26 Wrong number - turning sourer outside (9)
- 27 Dodge nowadays taken in by first lady (5)
- 28 Sadly, rocks delay colonists (14)

DOWN

- 1 Bend right into sofa (6)
- 2 Loathing endlessly hard and boring work (9)
- 3 Religious ceremony seen on the tennis court? (7)
- 4 Engross wild boar inside paddle steamer, eg (9)
- 5 Vessel I caught in sudden alarm (5)
- 6 Month in Medoc to be remembered (7)
- 7 Scientist Newton had one article in the bag (5)
- 8 Though terribly rude, she is shown to a seat (7)
- 15 Poetry she rewrites at magician's call (3,6)
- 16 Everyone I upset and make fun of is uncomfortable (3,2,4)
- 17 Second appeal for aerosol (7)

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- 19 Nacre is crushed to make poison (7)
- 20 Arc over depression caused by disease (7)
- 21 Notice featuring river flowing back up fast (6)
- 23 Big rock holds up dog (5)
- 24 Cut second outgrowth (5)