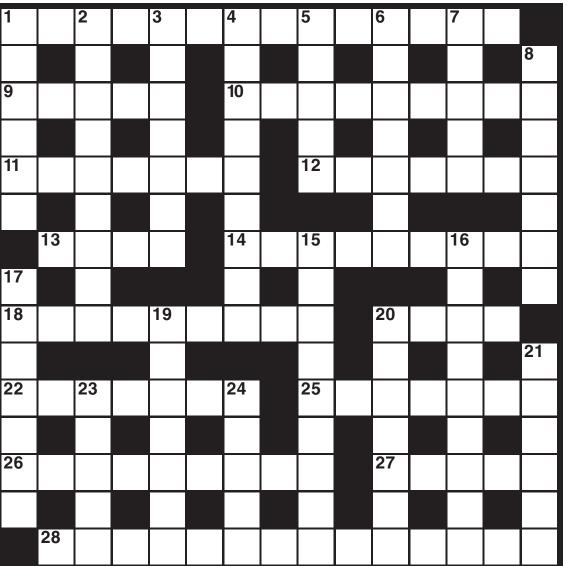
## **ACROSS**

- 1 I bin amount cooked by ruler as outdoor sport (8,6)
- **9** The way learner becomes exemplary (5)
- 10 Eatery link with regard to percolator (9)
- **11** Excel? Almost certainly on way through mountains (7)
- 12 Given bribes as overcome by avarice (7)
- 13 Heart of twenty, not head (4)
- **14** Disclosure of commercial aim (9)
- **18** Has a guess that friend is entering derelict sites (9)
- 20 Touched soft material (4)
- 22 Medical remedy for bug stinging (7)
- 25 Property dealer has back lot thrown in (7)
- 26 Silent as Elsie's son can be (9)
- 27 Listened to the sound of elephants (5)
- **28** Roughly seek rye product for operation (7,7)

## **DOWN**

- 1 I'm embraced by doctor with South American flower (6)
- 2 Layer applied where winter clothes are? (9)
- **3** Gate I'll remove during ploughing (7)
- 4 Instances broadcast non-stop (9)
- **5** Cause confusion involving Foreign Office in petition (5)
- **6** Equipment sent off to Tom's family (7)
- 7 Requirements for evenly spread sneezes dust! (5)
- 8 Hair-splitter holding new chain (7)
- 15 Suspects condensation corrodes (9)
- **16** Everyone I upset and make fun of is uncomfortable (3,2,4)
- 17 Unknown girl follows this French artist (7)

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- **19** Play the king? (7)
- 20 Dad holds point of quill (7)
- 21 I'd enter fight prior to the weekend (6)
- 23 Lookalike with English string (5)
- 24 Live comfortably after end of need (5)