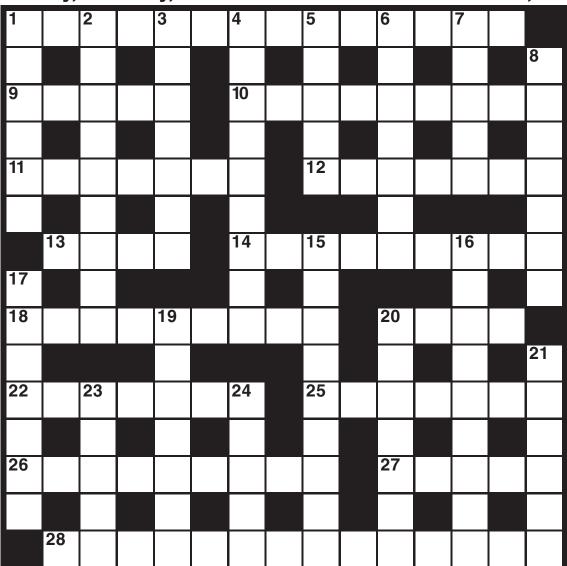
## **ACROSS**

- 1 Creature that can crush cartons with robotic movement (3,11)
- 9 Play sponsor in the wings? (5)
- **10** Hear indoor space, upstairs one, having creaky joints? (9)
- 11 Catch boy about to return to country (7)
- 12 Fleeced getting organ into outbuilding (7)
- **13** A helping of this a gooey pudding (4)
- **14** Before start of term, new form teacher outside for the high jump (9)
- 18 Points to certain variety of fruit (9)
- **20** Daughter embraced by amateur peer (4)
- **22** Overturned soft silver vessels as a temporary measure (7)
- **25** Responsible for late mob rioting (2,5)
- 26 Doing what you are told, ie once bed remade (9)
- 27 Some agouti, gerbil or other animal (5)
- **28** Where a ring goes, alternatively (2,3,5,4)

## **DOWN**

- 1 Church of Scotland official transformed lad into busy worker (6)
- 2 Symbolically calculated account involves poor Gabriel (9)
- 3 US city or country given nothing (7)
- 4 Green site relocated in Africa, it's plain (9)
- 5 Reportedly authentic southern dances (5)
- **6** Firm favourite has me on the outside to contend with (7)
- 7 Animal inside pottery (5)
- **8** A community I would enter with bitterness (7)
- 15 Fraction of white tent erected (9)
- **16** Girl I left crushed by monster shrub (9)

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- 17 A Detective Sergeant among twelve, etc (3,2,2)
- **19** His gun a source of woe (7)
- 20 Left awful sorbet with seafood (7)
- 21 Approached close to journalist (6)
- 23 Huge expanse once transformed outside area (5)
- 24 Swing a camera to show (5)