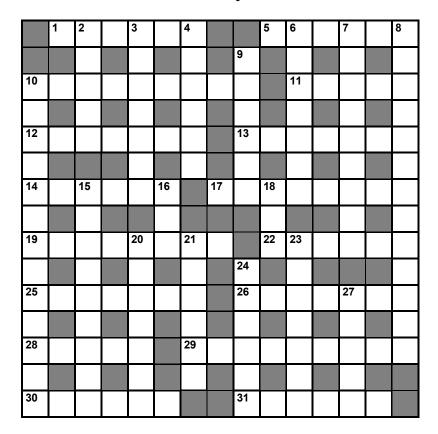
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## **ACROSS**

- 1 Worthless gems free of minute distinguishing marks (6)
- 5 Minister had pulled out of organised childcare (6)
- 10 Metal item worn by the Pope holding notice (9)
- 11 It cleans dam contaminated with phosphorus (5)
- **12** Harsh newspaper, full of favourable political stuff (7)
- 13 Typical defeat in bridge right at the end (7)
- 14 Bring in associates of wimp or twit (6)
- 17 Round fired in combat disturbed quiet military training facility (4,4)
- 19 Key person's record broken by one inch and a half? (8)
- 22 Nothing excluded from revised edition was relevant (4,2)
- **25** Trunk containing fine Time publication (7)
- 26 Is ring, at the last minute, cut off? (7)
- 28 A lady teacher, perhaps, is out of order (5)
- 29 Cat punched by party girl, say, round food (9)
- 30 One brought in to discourage weight watcher (6)
- 31 Kind offer (6)

## **DOWN**

- 2 The first cervical vertebra is shortened eventually (5)
- **3** Formation of large ice, mostly? (7)
- 4 Small, like a bee? (6)
- **6** Court action was rescheduled by head of university in literature (7)
- 7 Agent on edge with lecture (9)
- **8** Journalist's research in corporation on depression (13)
- **9** Young developer ordered mother's boy out of shot (6)
- 10 Item coated with lead unusual road building material (8,5)
- **15** Put down large book about married one's theatrical entertainment (9)
- **16** Clue list (3)
- 18 Youth's big heart is exposed (3)
- 20 Male, one leaving homily to check out papal court (4,3)
- 21 Sound Titanic at sea striking side of iceberg (6)
- 23 One raced around covering miles? (7)
- **24** King is satisfied with fortune (6)
- 27 Expanse of bare terrain containing a sharp ridge (5)