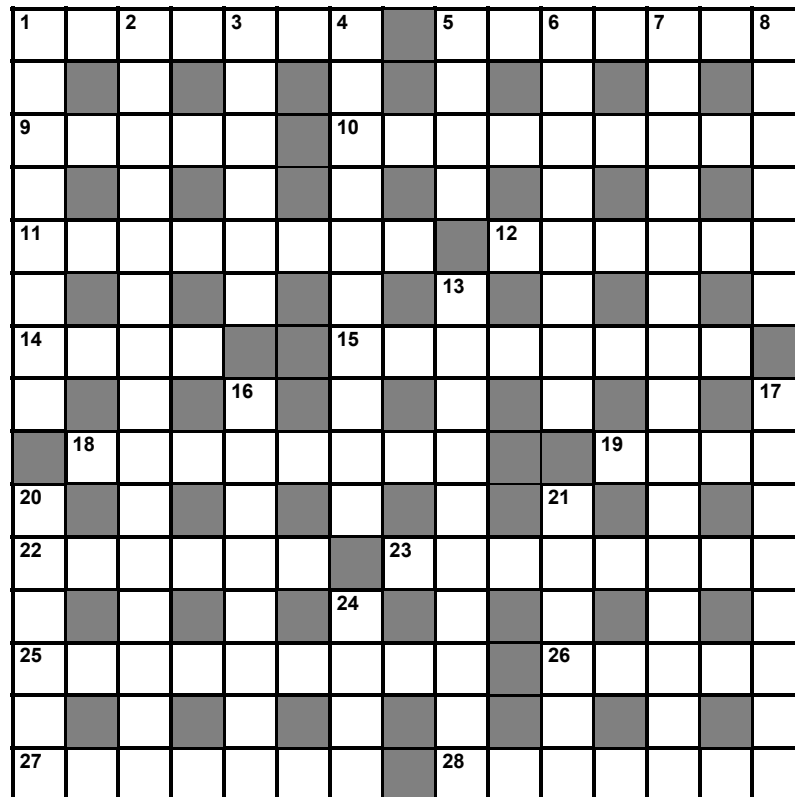


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ACROSS

- 1 Uterus, damaged by doctor initially, is stitched up (7)
- 5 Dodgy repairer is caught in difficulty (7)
- 9 Scope a minute piece (5)
- 10 Soft piece of ice, covered in snow, vehicle sprayed with water (9)
- 11 Leave auditor in authority (5,3)
- 12 Wood glues (6)
- 14 Male admitting female's minor quarrel (4)
- 15 Failed outlaw backed Turk holding power (8)
- 18 Bring round French wine stocked by clubs in the past (8)
- 19 Study divided up by a school head (4)
- 22 Come back with a quantity of claret or tokay (6)
- 23 Cooked local pies, missing one ingredient, crumble (8)
- 25 Oarsman prepared outside in European republic (3,6)
- 26 Earmark vote not initialled? (5)
- 27 One showing external signs of stress disturbed family members (7)
- 28 Horses at the back race and suffer in the heat (7)

DOWN

- 1 I don't know cunning medium embraced by witness (6,2)
- 2 What's inside broken bottle can soften (5,2,8)
- 3 Bring in deranged intruder with no ID (6)
- 4 Is burnt badly in mine doing shiftwork? (10)
- 5 Sound of stomach that's empty (4)
- 6 Temperature maintained in can to preserve flavour (8)
- 7 Rich IT people distributed group's flyer (10,5)
- 8 Only half of okra recipe is vegetable (6)
- 13 Unseemly one represented coder captured by intelligence? (10)
- 16 Leave behind plain cake after first slice (8)
- 17 Flipper tangled river net (8)
- 20 Leading member of cabinet comes up with serious problems (6)
- 21 Cut through stick (6)
- 24 Well-rounded character is framing large paintings (4)