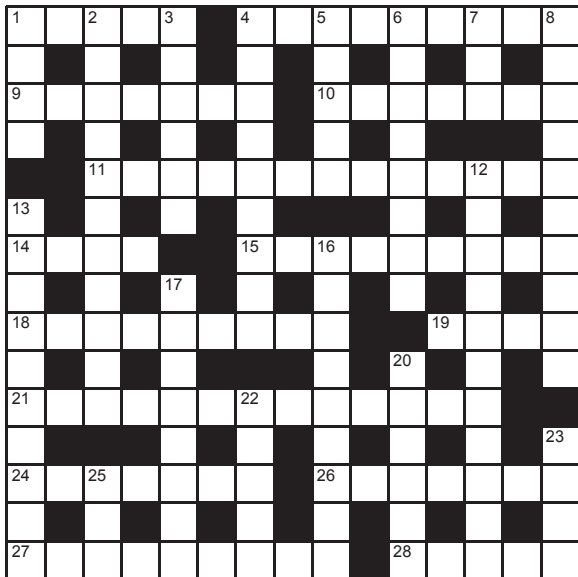


CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- 1 Short Biblical book to appraise (5)
- 4 Physician with House in TV series? (6,3)
- 9 Completely perplex last of men on bonus (7)
- 10 Study foremost of protocols in cricket, perhaps (7)
- 11 Everyone inside read page on artful writer of short stories (5,5,3)
- 14 Narrator's identity concealed by Blackmore, initially? (4)
- 15 Canon, note, breaking bad habit – bitter hostility results (9)
- 18 Favours live US sitcom (9)
- 19 Intensive publicity could get one over-excited, briefly (4)
- 21 Who let loose about successful book (novel)? (3,6,4)
- 24 Conforming to accepted standards, I teach New Latin? (7)
- 26 Artist shows opener for Northants in game (7)
- 27 Time to study factory's exercise machine (9)
- 28 Publisher, new in Hertfordshire town (5)

DOWN

- 1, 23 Jack, an A.A. Milne character, dropping round for book (4,4)
- 2 Awkward deadline concerning upcoming English novelist (6,5)
- 3 Last in tabernacle, you say, about to record parting words? (6)
- 4 Suspect provides name shown to be false (9)
- 5 Chapter on pike leaves one cold (5)
- 6 Old British ruined castle, a stumbling block (8)
- 7 Misery caused by wife, heartless one (3)
- 8 Fair article supporting knight entering exam (2,3,5)
- 12 Hack writer nearly going crazy stopping at home (5-1-5)
- 13 Place for shabby writers to eat on the way? (4,6)
- 16 Dramatist ran hostel in resort (9)
- 17 No longer married, man with church housed by theologian? (8)
- 20 Capital city's lighter beneath moon? Not half! (6)
- 22 Hot inside food shop in Indian city (5)
- 23 See 1 down
- 25 Methuen's view (3)

JOTTER PAD