

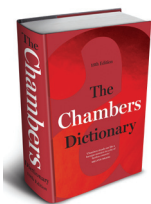
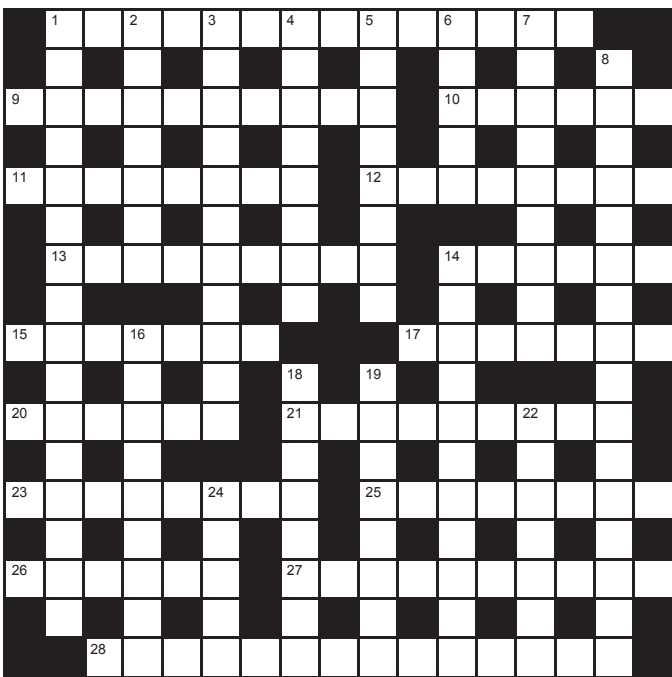
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ACROSS

- 1 Naturally occurring sodium nitrate (5,9)
- 9 Of a group of north-west European languages and peoples (5-5)
- 10 Inhabitant of a group of Polynesian islands (6)
- 11 Manually operated levers on a musical instrument (8)
- 12 Flatfish that resembles sole (5,3)
- 13 Bearing foliage throughout the year (9)
- 14 Neck of an organ (6)
- 15 Bertrand, philosopher, mathematician and social reformer (7)
- 17 St -----, industrial city in south-east central France (7)
- 20 Powerful South American feline (6)
- 21 With sudden emphasis in music (9)
- 23 Mary, American novelist, author of *The Group* (8)
- 25 Extermination of a race (8)
- 26 Walking or running (2,4)
- 27 Ladies from Cork perhaps (10)
- 28 Another name for the Alsatian (6,8)

DOWN

- 1 Sorghum, grass of a tropical Old World genus (7,9)
- 2 Dishonourable, of low birth (7)
- 3 Having all corners the same (11)
- 4 Shortened without losing the sense (8)
- 5 Exciting with a pleasant thrill (8)
- 6 Surrey racecourse (5)
- 7 One who associates with gypsies although not one himself (6,3)
- 8 American aquatic plant used in pools as an oxygenator (8,8)
- 14 State of being an inhabitant of a large town (11)
- 16 Peter, English National Hunt jockey (9)
- 18 Of an ancient biblical country (8)
- 19 Fairly rugged or uneven (8)
- 22 "---- --" Cyril, 1970s football catchphrase (4,3)
- 24 ----- O'Neal actress in 1973 film *Paper Moon* (5)



Solution Polymath 982



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