

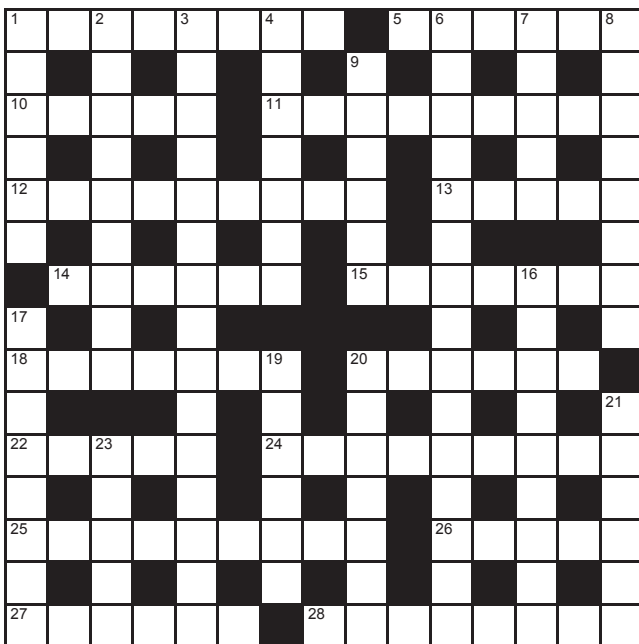
Crossword 16,188 Set by Rosa Klebb

ACROSS

- 1 Jockey beat it black and blue on regular basis (8)
- 5 Driverless car about to run over beetle (6)
- 10 Hack off and remove casing of sausages (5)
- 11 Queen's mate is sad to lose head in days to come (9)
- 12 Suspicion of home schooling (9)
- 13 Plant 15 back to front on island (5)
- 14 Hollow noise ultimately making girl apprehensive (6)
- 15 Gull perhaps burst airbeds (7)
- 18 Pointing at Nigel, oddly popular and grand (7)
- 20 Chinese society content to shun ukulele and mouth organ (6)
- 22 Rubbish pile round back of boozier (5)
- 24 Confusingly, Romania is part of Turkey (4,5)
- 25 Penniless lush stepped out of line (5,4)
- 26 Over time deserts moved in particular direction (5)
- 27 Still huge and certainly not shrinking, seen from behind (4,2)
- 28 Sally scrubbing hands like a yokel (8)

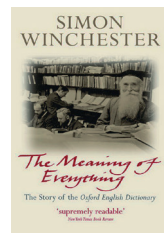
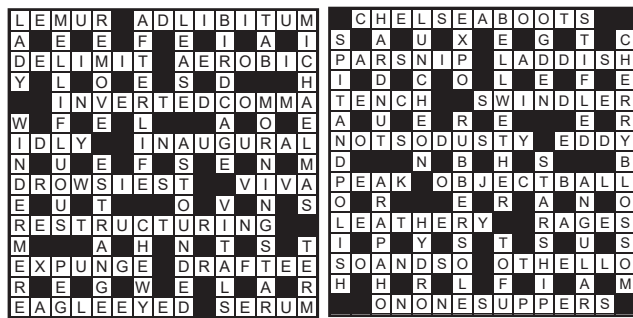
DOWN

- 1 Changeless Jacques Tati clowning around (6)
- 2 Wife stops correcting Conservative (5-4)
- 3 Congress in Minsk unfortunately expecting trouble (7,8)
- 4 Tactile drunk crossed bars (7)
- 6 Figures showing how many anaesthetists in the Vatican? (8,7)
- 7 Bounder gutting succulent fowls (5)
- 8 Have a leg either side of top fairground attraction (8)
- 9 Sultan's citizens philander, regardless of restrictions (6)
- 16 Dinosaur dung collected by institute's top academic (9)
- 17 Praiseworthy measure set up to conserve goldfish (8)
- 19 Eastern poem is good way to escape chance onset of lassitude (6)
- 20 Wee nurses with gleam in eye (7)
- 21 After vacation, angular invalid lay lifelessly (6)
- 23 Use dope after last of cocaine lines (5)



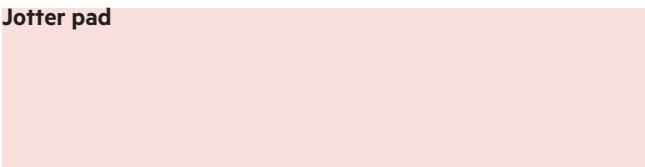
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Solution 16,176



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