

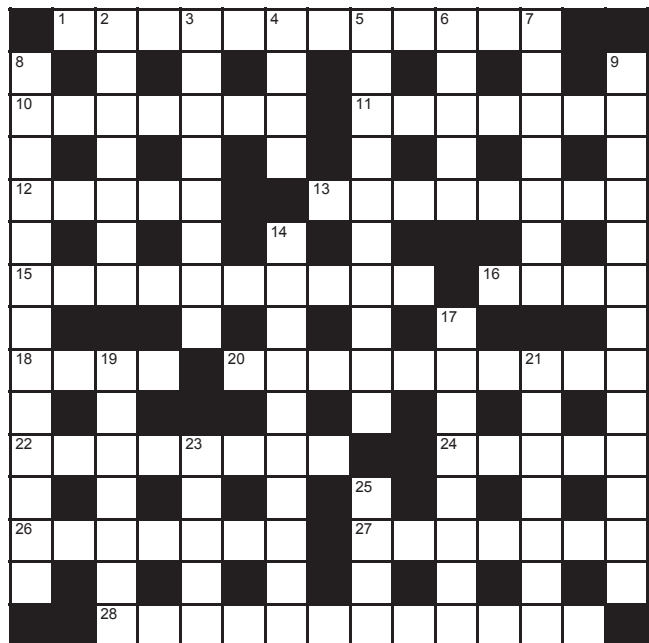
Crossword 15,922 Set by Mudd

ACROSS

- 1 Sticks skewering bat entrails (12)
- 10 As team without a left back, one caught for a substitute? (7)
- 11 Roman article between two from Britain, old English (7)
- 12 Bird wings in slime, beside gunk (5)
- 13 Set new compass to direct in the opposite direction? (8)
- 15 Where food is stuffed, being aggressive (2-4-4)
- 16 Ultimately, banquet to arrange for functions etc (4)
- 18 Spy originally infiltrating corporation, a blow (4)
- 20 Local tenor embarrassing Berkshire band (4,6)
- 22 Supporters, fifty by the way carried by planes, say? (8)
- 24 Poached eggs for starters, many flipped over (5)
- 26 US city where Marx has buried silver (7)
- 27 Glowing ember at heart in expression of grief (7)
- 28 Something fragrant in undisguised anger? (12)

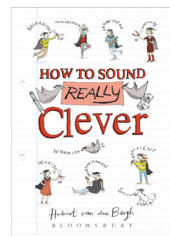
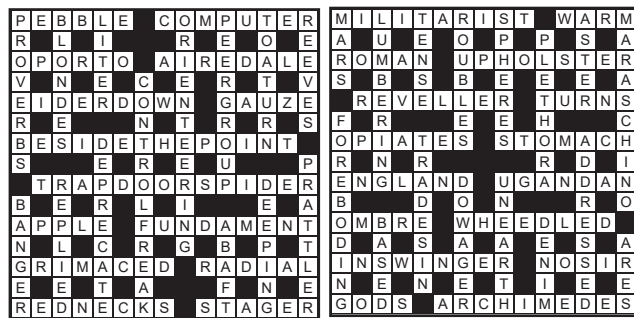
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- 2 Welcome bit of news, gone (7)
- 3 Naked vagrant carried by sheep, drunk (6,2)
- 4 Score in basket challenged (4)
- 5 Bound to get back added time (4,6)
- 6 Queen briefly standing for country (5)
- 7 Top criminal nicking piano (7)
- 8 Butt having dislodged a gunsight, bolt securing it (8,5)
- 9 Staff restrained by guards rent new stockings, perhaps? (13)
- 14 As receiver taken to one side, no longer accused (3,3,4)
- 17 Prisoners order me soup (8)
- 19 Short line typed about hard and strong lawman (7)
- 21 Nothing in family seems empty for African female (7)
- 23 Half a crown to invest, as riches accumulating initially (5)
- 25 Family line preserved, it's inferred? (4)



Solution 15,921

Solution 15,910



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