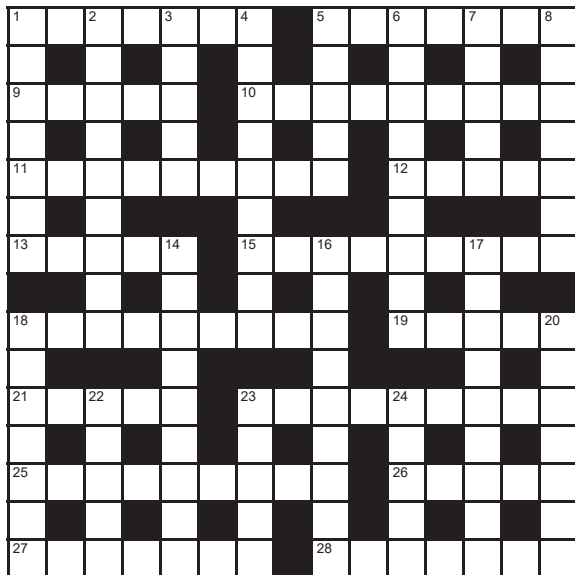


# CROSSWORD

## No. 15,996 Set by SLORMGORM



JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 1 Support Britain wanting rid of leader (7)
- 5 Chatter pointlessly on black Blackberry (7)
- 9 Punishment for a schoolboy error? (5)
- 10 Reserve shower possibly during leisure time (9)
- 11 A hint men and I must change for the most part (2,3,4)
- 12 Church popular with a friend in the East End (5)
- 13 Rather put on hot clothes (5)
- 15 Don't adore criminal that smells nice (9)
- 18 Do back detaining bad riveter in need of the sack (9)
- 19 Philosophical type objects to ice-cream sandwiches (5)
- 21 Test case? (5)
- 23 Successful movement of a tour bus, perhaps (9)
- 25 Romeo Vera gainfully cuddles another time (4,5)
- 26 Piece of oily and, on the turn, bad fruit (5)
- 27 Assume responsibility of another's Duty Free (7)
- 28 As an example, one might say Krypton Factor (7)

### DOWN

- 1 Being somewhat less shocked than before?! (7)
- 2 Person in the employ of the police artist (9)
- 3 I bring legal proceedings about small matter (5)

- 4 Plant men regard in a state of excitement (9)
- 5 One's to tuck into good French beef alternative (5)
- 6 Sadly, our old cat is horrible (9)
- 7 Pancake day is shunned by visually impaired institute (5)
- 8 Pull out more conservative trunks at the front (7)
- 14 Tickle a little drunk with it (9)
- 16 Old Republican steps, perhaps to secure home rule (9)
- 17 Possibly touching description of a hypotenuse? (9)
- 18 Expose men holding party in the open air (7)
- 20 Dispute examination of a prisoner? (7)
- 22 I do business with another model (5)
- 23 Endure first part of bachelor party (5)
- 24 Undamaged, but unattractive place reportedly (5)

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