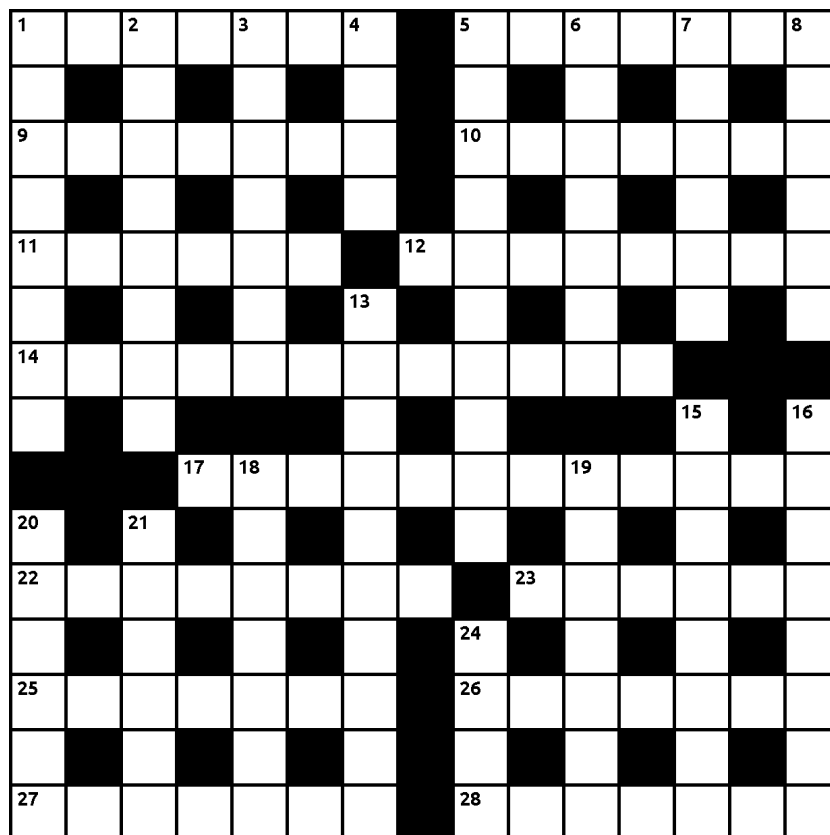


the cruciverbalist

Cryptic crossword #24

Set by: Leibniz



ACROSS

- 1 Time to lie around, no doubt! (7)
- 5 Empty urn during uncivilised service! (7)
- 9 Oddly forbids child for a thrill (7)
- 10 Condemn S. Warne's immaturity (7)
- 11 Trinkets installed atop royals and similar leaders!? (6)
- 12 Highness exchanges one letter with Outlook (8)
- 14 Talk show discusses animal flesh and article on iron (4,3,5)
- 17 Queen wearing a crucifix? (5-7)
- 22 Dined at midday, swallowed a shot (8)
- 23 Rich fooled by heartless scam for "holy oil" (6)
- 25 Lost, returning not as much lost (7)
- 26 Communist film bureaucracy (3,4)
- 27 Messengers from city return in droves (7)
- 28 Recruit's breezy audition? (7)

DOWN

- 1 File item away for 80ñ90 years? (8)
- 2 Trim it at edited section copied (8)
- 3 Arrogant person describes lift-off? (7)
- 4 A ten pound mountain (4)
- 5 Trees good in craft class for kids (5,5)
- 6 Young ones knew bikes Kris Kringle forgot (7)
- 7 Monkey king of mythology? (6)
- 8 Hark, the Italian's reflecting on Saint Florentina's heart (6)
- 13 Reads initial directive out, emergency crew twice reconsiders (10)
- 15 Snake from Persia got Taliban leader hopeful (8)
- 16 Opening night grand final winner took vitamin (8)
- 18 Fish retreats into sleek coral (4,3)
- 19 Chained wretched animal (7)
- 20 Eww, swallowed a disinfectant... (6)
- 21 Mother retains right to SMS your drone (6)
- 24 Smirk expressed with a cold crossword? (4)