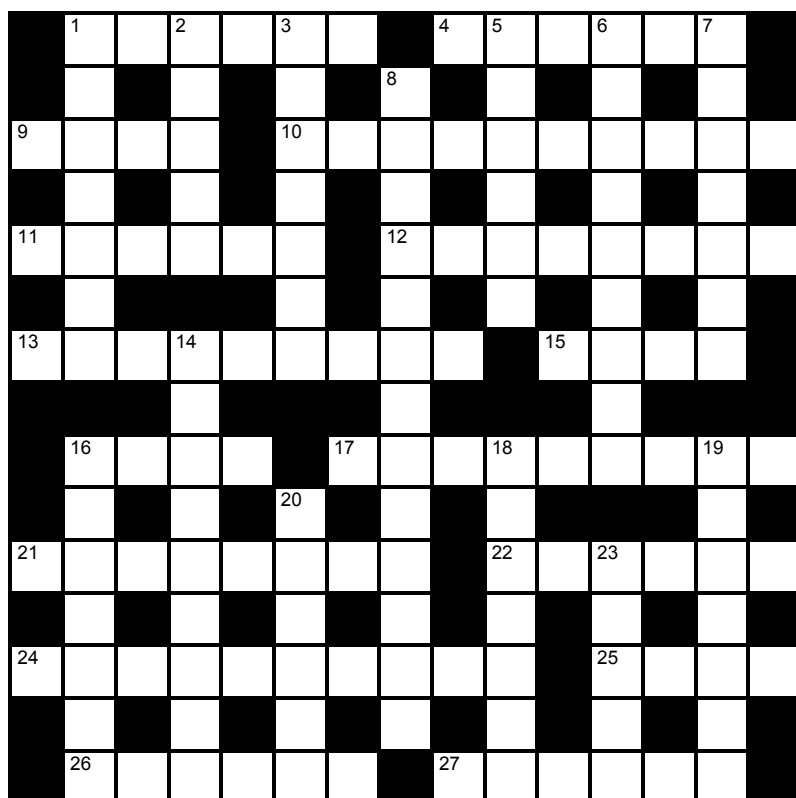


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### Across

- 1 Hackney chap's crop-top - a second-rate piece (6)
- 4 See 18 down
- 9 15's hen-party? (4)
- 10 Cape could be identical? (6,4)
- 11 Origins of *Remembrances of Things Past*, unfinished script edited by...? (6)
- 12 Extreme security measures could be a spiritual afterthought (8)
- 13 *Loose Women* clue is distasteful (9)
- 15 Sing out for 9? (4)
- 16 5 in distress, spun (4)
- 17 Mean quality of tinned fish-head? (9)
- 21 Eliot quietly laughs about potentially troublesome areas (8)

- 22 Often chips in flawed gesture (6)

- 24 Initially, Captain Ahab's temper is foul - possibly substance of *Moby Dick*? (10)

- 25 Free love - a good deal? (4)

- 26 On average, one's hiding after withdrawing weapon (6)

- 27 Grandpa's first delay, tottering like an old man (6)

### Down

- 1 See 23 down

- 2 Censor Trade Union language (5)

- 3 24 without wave crashing on cold, hard lifestyle (7)

- 5 Troublesome deity over city (6)

- 6 Reformed scoundrel is returning on trip (9)

- 7 Pinpoints in/out smash - feature of tennis shot, perhaps? (7)

- 8 Proper artist tries out denizen of 18,4 (5,8)

- 14 Monitor eastern hail-storm beginning with rain (9)

- 16 Lie with painter (7)

- 18/4 Famous 10 way of drinking? (7,6)

- 19 Poet's *Inferno* found in reflection of *Ulysses*, conclusively? (7)

- 20 Foremost of historians/outstanding poet (6)

- 23/1 8 dispensing random advice (5,7)