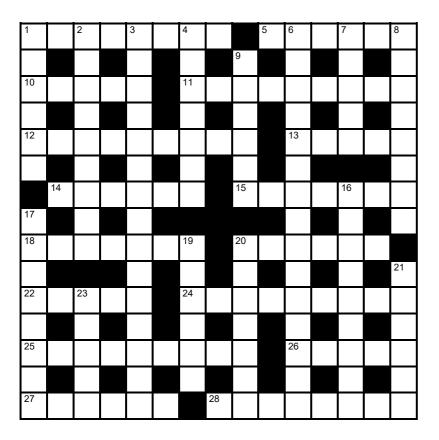
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## Across

- 1 I might get fired if couple have dessert but no starters (3,5)
- 5 Join beginner in excitement (6)
- 10 Overturn surprise result (5)
- 11 Fixing telephone after 22. is recycled (9)
- 12 Bond selector and intelligent straight man (5,4)
- 13 Composer becomes a sculptor after dealing with personal hygiene (5)
- 14 Stop current advert for peacemakers? (6)
- 15 The spirit of a German city church (7)

- 18 Pretend to have a change of heart on church revenue (7)
- 20 Gateshead newlywed about to cross the river?(6)
- 22 Small number hold endless yearning for a snack (5)
- 24 Redesigned and pre-dated a disaster (9)
- 25 In France the world's all about a number of drinks (9)
- **26** Publication that is all about perception (5)
- **27** Type 15. (6)
- 28 Cockney lovers cling to each other in face of south winds (8)

## Down

- 1 Charm left out of a dodgy haircut?(6)
- 2 Vibrancy of short break on an ecclesiastical building (9)
- 3 Where a boxer who's down might take a few seconds to recover? (2,3,4,6)
- 4 Gathering topless tendency (7)
- 6 It's off-putting when one country goes after publicity on misplaced Croats (15)
- 7 I lift assembly with epic poem (5)

- **8** Her Majesty is after motor mechanic? (8)
- **9** Seem upset about church project (6)
- 16 Dark horse might be a bad dream (9)
- 17 Unfold drawing that shows no internal walls (4,4)
- 19 Laugh at hidden bits of nude riders (6)
- 20 Support ship that is joining old club (7)
- 21 Snakes and ladders? Not initially (6)
- 23 Company paid for astronomical event (5)