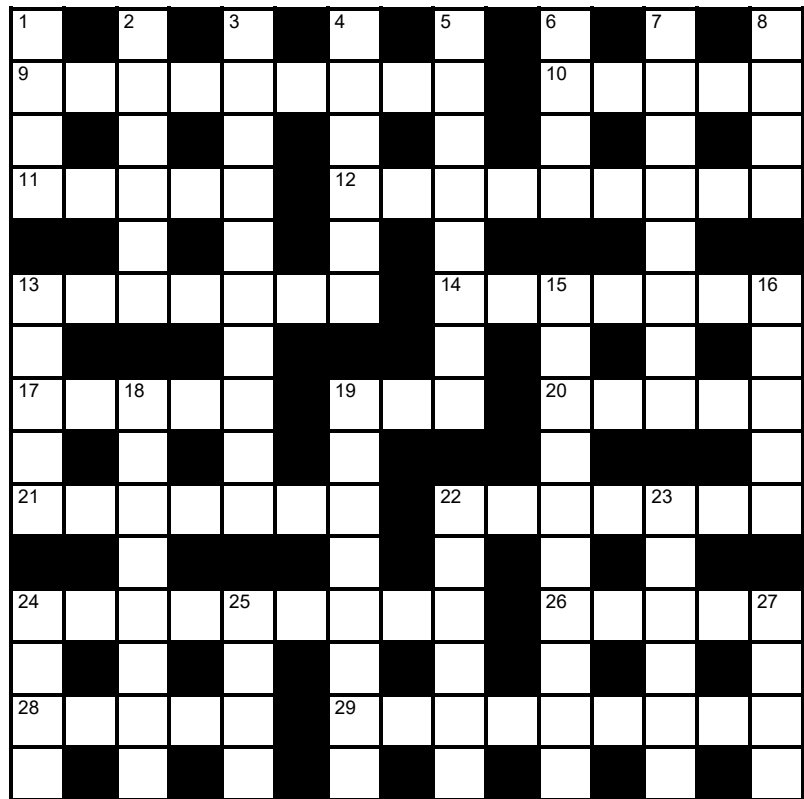


Across

- 9 He takes a great deal of interest in report of solitary predator (4,5)
- 10 Samurai's endlessly pressing task (5)
- 11 A model of refined prose (5)
- 12 Armed unit got redeployed by leaders of National Guard (3-6)
- 13 Hard-boiled novelist's lost first letter - M, perhaps? (7)
- 14 Title of papers on the transformation of Middle English (7)



- 17 In competition with section of Navy in Gulf (5)
- 19 See 28
- 20 Valued alternatives to real tweed (5)
- 21 Run into detective infiltrating sect to find guilty party (7)
- 22 Almost caught madman kidnapping two cardinals (5,2)
- 24 Wrestling star embracing boxer, having taken first gold for country (9)
- 26 Go round India's shrouded city? (5)
- 28/19A/4 Intriguing elements of tale

- about a good dragon lacked resolution (5,3,6)
- 29 Company department, say, takes on girl for nine-month period (9)

Down

- 1 Second album contains a hit (4)
- 2 Average boy becomes a clergyman (6)
- 3 One must pay attention to The Planets or to Elgar's Variations (10)
- 4 See 28 Across
- 5 He's a kind sort despite appearances! (8)
- 6 Uplifting part of

- choir teacher's musical composition (4)
- 7 Reported home with terrible cold and temperature (8)
- 8 Catch small horse (4)
- 13 Starts to hear apocalyptic voices openly calling for destruction (5)
- 15 Claiming sound of cats outside Post Office can start to grate (10)
- 16 Chair of Divinity originally held by Irishman (5)
- 18 Trick ailing American with one - no returns! (8)

- 19 Betting on pole position for fast runner (8)
- 22 College girl has time for a drink (6)
- 23 Express one's fury going after Queen's marauding knight (6)
- 24 Mischievous artist sent up church (4)
- 25 One whose progress has been noted is a tool! (4)
- 27 They sometimes have it reprinted in glossy anthologies (4)