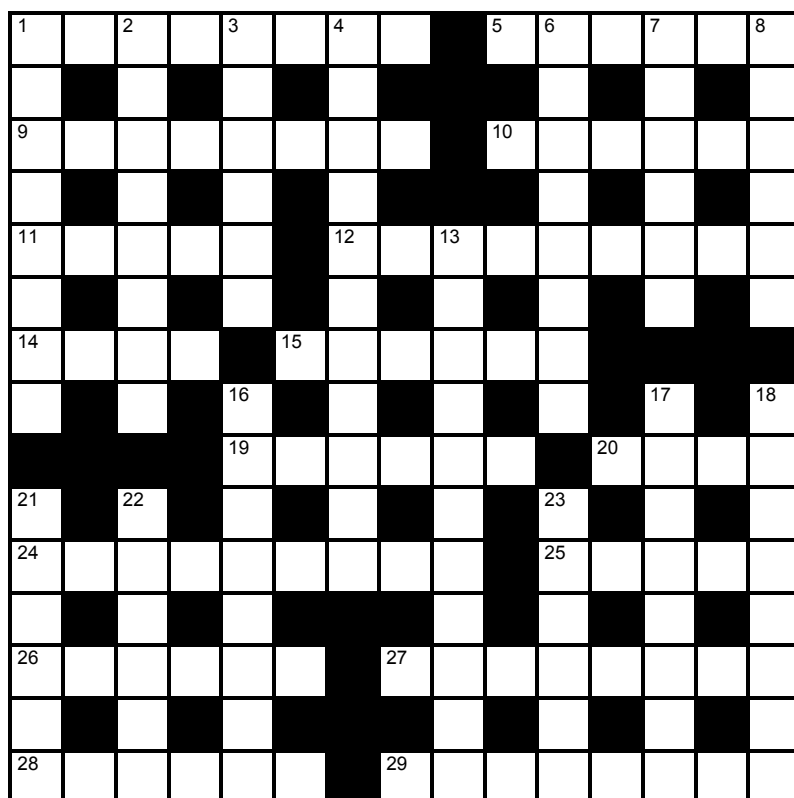


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Across

- 1** Underground experiment precedes what's needed in the lab (4,4)
- 5** Hotel welcomes policeman with a hot meal (6)
- 9** Sort of constant girl providing happy ending (8)
- 10** Figurative 23 getting no return on vehicles (6)
- 11** Man hugs soft tree (5)
- 12** Guarantee working for old city which sounds similar (9)
- 14** Pressure to replace nobleman's line coming from figurative 23 (4)

- 15** Chemist stocking drug for stars (6)
- 19** Magic potion for short golfer with 9-iron not working (6)
- 20/3** Drink expert brews teas during cold weather (4,6) (4,6)
- 24** Newscaster having setback in race's final stage (6,3)
- 25** Regulator has grain covering empty furrow (5)
- 26** One in business follows sister to be a messenger (6)
- 27** Relaxed man eating awful bun to get browned off? (8)
- 28** Country rube gets the green light from 23 (6)
- 29** One sharing toys

puts Winehouse back in the picture (8)

Down

- 1** Edge up to the heartless copper concealing small 5 (8)
- 2** Normal beginning for Spooner in leading role (4,4)
- 3** See 20 Across
- 4** 23's cattle invoice (7,4)
- 6** Good order for head of cattle? (8)
- 7** Hospitalised European is bonkers (6)
- 8** Breton city's new workers have a point (6)

- 13** 5 left shortly after subtitling went awry (7,4)
- 16** 5 found hiding up in Sierra del Palomino region (8)
- 17** Reportedly employ revolting peasant, having arranged initially for 5 (8)
- 18** Mischievously tease the sensitive fellow (8)
- 21** Small dose of arrowroot in mixed drink will make you fat (6)
- 22** Third-rate police station said to be very pretty (6)
- 23** Builder taking dangerous short-cuts will scare child (6)