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Across

- 1 Liquid food especially of meat, fish or vegetable stock often containing pieces of solid food (4)
- **3** Region of central France to the west of the Auvergne mountains, and type of cattle (8)
- 9 Type of rum (7)
- **10** Capital of Morocco; located in the northwest on the Atlantic coast (5)
- 11 Any of a set of (usually 72) cards that include 22 cards representing virtues and vices and death and fortune etc. (5)
- 12 Australian physiologist noted for his research on the conduction of impulses by nerve cells (6)
- 14 Showing a high degree of refinement and the assurance that comes from wide social experience (6)
- 16 City in northeast Pakistan (6)
- **19** Nigerian novelist, author of Things Fall Apart (6)
- **21** An ardent male lover (5)
- 24 Plant louse (5)

Down

- 1 Member of a clandestine subversive organization who tries to help a potential invader (8)
- 2 Circumscribed inflammatory and often suppurating lesion on the skin or an internal mucous surface resulting in necrosis of tissue (5)
- 4 Wading birds of warm regions having long slender down-curved bills (6)
- **5** Character in Shakespeare's Hamlet (5)
- **6** Below freezing (7)
- 7 International organization created in 1949 for purposes of collective security (4)
- 8 Celtic language of Brittany (6)
- 13 Exercise that increases the need for oxygen (8)
- 15 (classical mythology) god of wine; equivalent of Dionysus (7)
- 17 Port city of Denmark in eastern Jutland (6)
- **18** (Greek mythology) a Titaness and sea goddess; wife of Oceanus (6)
- **20** Town in Surrey; scene of an annual Derby (5)
- 22 State in New England (5)

- **25** United States magician (born in Hungary) famous for his ability to escape from chains, handcuffs, straitjackets or padlocked containers (7)
- 26 Magadhan language spoken by Indian people; closely related to Bengali (8)
- 27 Nazi leader who in 1941 flew a solo flight to Scotland in an apparent attempt to negotiate a peace treaty with Great Britain (4)
- **23** Goddess of the earth and mother of Cronus and the Titans in ancient mythology (4)