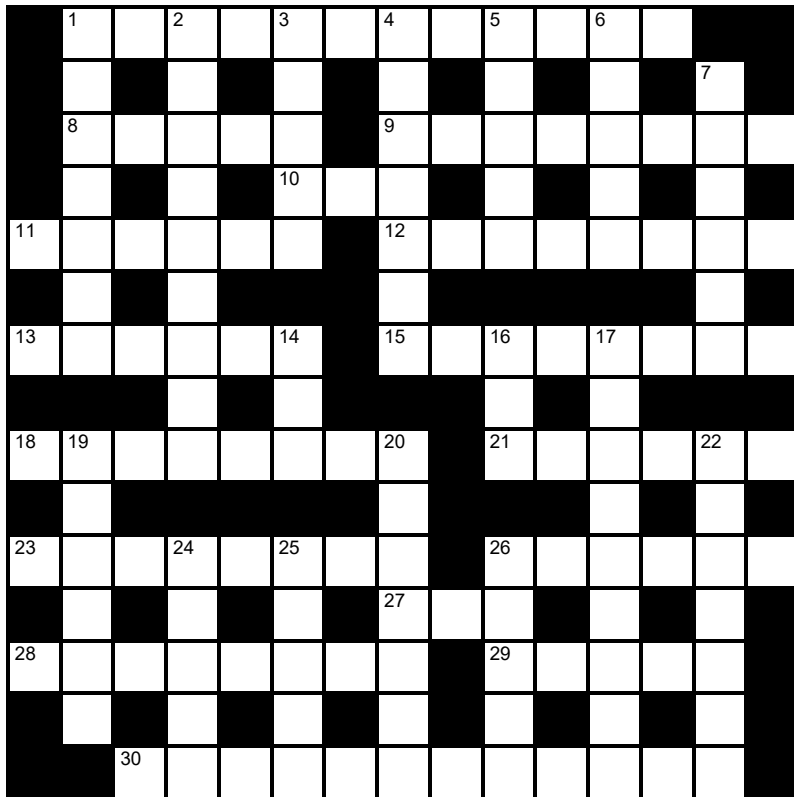


Crossword #31

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Across

- 1 Instrument – small, traditional one in assorted styles, nothing missing (12)
- 8 Musical film or play about French gentlemen (5)
- 9 After lido's opening (first day of early month) you returned float (4,4)
- 10 Perform a sort of scan (3)
- 11 Rotten place to deliver (6)
- 12 Run off after a New Testament beast (8)
- 13 Give notice about a frown (4,2)
- 15 Grant embracing Angelina, say, ignoring one instance of wheedling (8)
- 18 A zoo? *Trop outré* for housing these! (8)
- 21 Top-ranked sailor returned allowance (6)
- 23 What propels small pilot and stewardesses around (8)
- 26 Dirty filter, one-third off, extremely hefty (6)
- 27 What propels river boat's contents to the front (3)
- 28 It's reconstructed from bones (no radius, sadly) (8)
- 29 Up to the moment that bird departed jauntily (5)
- 30 Sound word from working old parent to gothic writer reaching Iowa (12)

Down

- 1 School test maths problem – answer? An orange! (7)
- 2 He painted American rockers and a German chancellor (9)
- 3 Nymph's uninteresting notice (5)
- 4 Quivery vocal – it is generated by chemical action (7)
- 5 Repair and reinstall official computer equipment (5)
- 6 Structure of some flowers of *Adiantum bellum* (5)
- 7 From whom you can buy cask beer 50% off, behind supermarket (6)
- 14 Fringes of fashionable Zulu headgear (3)
- 16 Dallas resident takes a glass of beer (3)
- 17 Stiletto heel she removed, flexing this? (6,3)
- 19 Almost bringing up dried fruit (6)
- 20 American telecoms firm suppresses terrible rows in the least favourable scenario (2,5)
- 22 Work hard on Charles Lamb's tragic character (7)
- 24 Snuggle with tongue-tied clergyman, without hesitation (5)
- 25 Domain of true mass (5)
- 26 Dowdy type's feminine bottom (5)