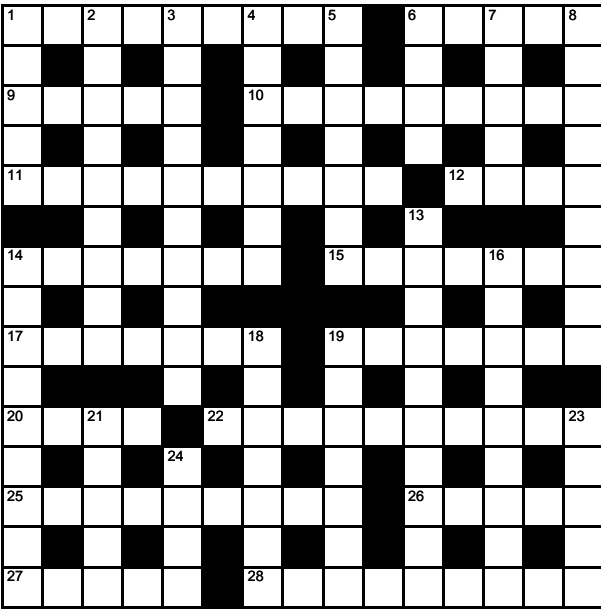


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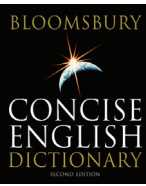
ACROSS

- 1 Take for a ride round a capital city in elaborate clothing (9)
- 6 The minute chap died fighting begins to fade (5)
- 9 Sweet-talking beast? (5)
- 10 Scent ebbing of fascination filling in duty list (4-5)
- 11 A chat about boy, elementary stuff (10)
- 12 Worry line on neck? (4)
- 14 Husband received by God, man and spirit (7)
- 15 Good girls in see-through apparel (7)
- 17 Otherwise in the drink, having the blues (7)
- 19 Convict wears hat for digging (7)
- 20 Measure of the force? (4)
- 22 Sordid quality shown by small sloth pinching female's bottom (10)
- 25 Listen in English, as proved to require translation (9)
- 26 Poem neat, but for its first couple of lines (5)
- 27 Disease beginning to grow through animal hair (5)
- 28 Tree whose left-25 throughout the year! (9)



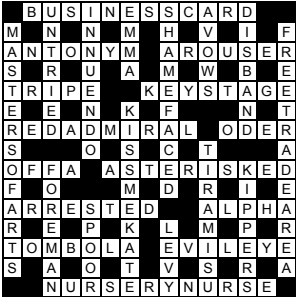
DOWN

- 1 Location of breathtaking butterfly (5)
- 2 River passing into gland, so flat out (9)
- 3 I'm hurt, given same treatment – for this, perhaps? (10)
- 4 Problem holding dessert up level (7)
- 5 Savings plan eventually hatched? (4-3)
- 6 Chorus girl? (4)
- 7 Teacher doffs cap for Daisy (5)
- 8 Fill up, accessing strong taste (9)
- 13 Exciting habit (4-6)
- 14 Rhinoceros, perhaps, hurting daughter in some style? (9)
- 16 Huge gut booted? (5,4)
- 18 Real tag breaks free (2,5)
- 19 Plod interfering with a priest (7)
- 21 Bird taking dance with Pole (5)
- 23 Partial to "Raffles", a London hair-dresser (5)
- 24 Ace woman tennis champ once (4)



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