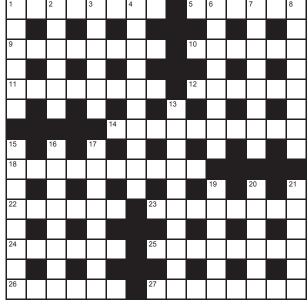
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ACROSS

- 1 Rush marked with back of blade (8)
- **5** Unpleasant heavy metal band with a couple of gatecrashers? (6)
- **9** Similarly, part of West London is to feature in fiction (8)
- **10** On opening of gala, red behind gold proving inelegant (6)
- 11 German deutschmark originally confused with English – and French copper? (8)
- 12 Stop a decorative band being heard (6)
- **14** Insane proposal for travel (10)
- 18 Woven tapestries in which all will be revealed (10)
- 22 Putting in insulation, brow wiped (6)
- **23** Neighbours' honey, possibly a cake on it? (4,4)
- 24 Particular dock? (6)
- **25** Key locking wonderful book in box (5,3)
- **26** Vision starts to materialise in fashion (6)
- 27 Pious author on the radio (8)

DOWN

- 1 One left to feed plant, producing fodder crop (6)
- 2 Hide in sack, head unseen, being inquisitive (6)
- **3** I fancy that provides the acid test, finding love in conflict (6)
- 4 Gut has mildew, so be prepared! (10)
- **6** Bird with nothing in memory finding space for communication (4,4)
- **7** Predict failing economy primarily held as weak (8)
- 8 Wyoming city, where female steals money in church (8)
- **13** Spit on goalkeeper, being sweet (10)
- **15** Huge structure in Africa was built with clear aim (5,3)
- **16** Lender blushing, it breaking business leader finally (8)
- 17 Fantastic bridge card (8)
- **19** Heavyweight initially punching swiftly, being brave (6)
- **20** Device for hanging mammoth up on stake (6)
- **21** Bad-tempered when describing a garment? (6)

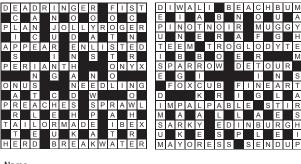




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