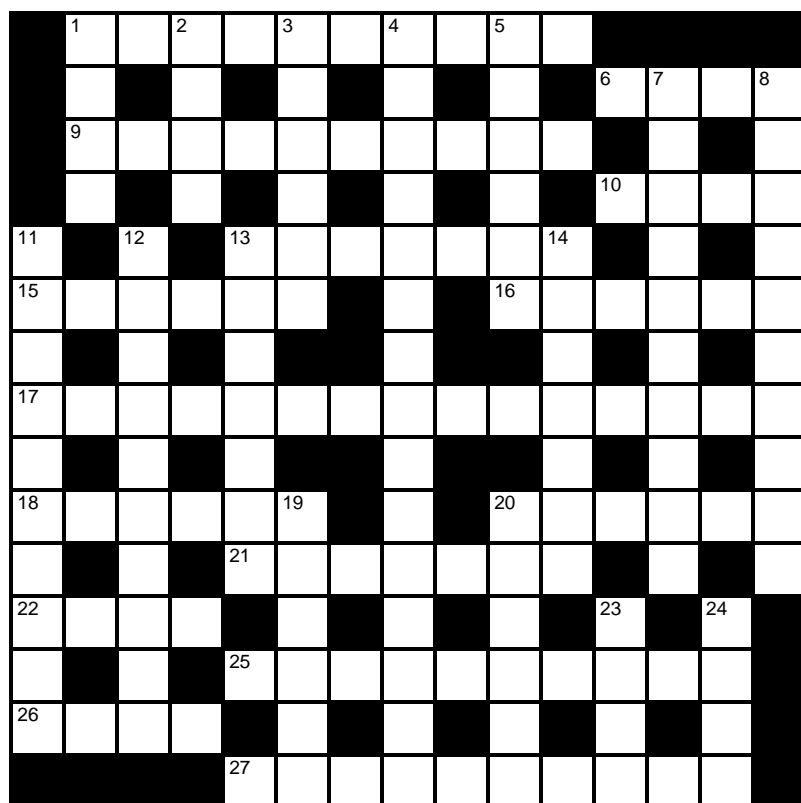


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Across

- 1 Even so, nothing has changed (3,3,4)
- 6 Strike-breaker stopped the first taxi (4)
- 9 To follow, beef or fish (6,4)
- 10 Astonish crackpots heading west (4)
- 13 Release some outsiders onto a part of Greece (7)
- 15 Somewhere surrounded by water is solid earth (6)
- 16 Polish originally mouthed in disjointed hoots (6)
- 17 Hardy's underwear was changed when England and France famously came to blows (7,5,3)
- 18 Restrain that woman who's grabbed a politician! (6)
- 20 Exclusives coming from the first of six jointly-owned enterprises (6)
- 21 Responsible over king, but appealing (7)
- 22 The sound of 5 vessels (4)
- 25 One who deals in words is to reserve underground storage facility, so I'm told (10)
- 26 Cut head off at any time (4)
- 27 City's terror is linked to volcanic emissions (10)

Down

- 1 Force a royal marine to marry you first (4)
- 2 Enticement backfiring in Home Rule (4)
- 3 Tricked by two fictional characters: a pirate and a talking horse (6)
- 4 Calming measure baffled inscrutable type (8,7)
- 5 Mister Topsy-Turvy's virtues? (6)
- 7 Clumsy tot now wrapped in fresh protective cover (6,4)
- 8 Exercise magistrates and the media (10)
- 11 Beacon of faint hope - half of it has function (10)
- 12 Sweet guy to chase unruly clan and beg drunkenly outside (10)
- 13 Wild elk's got to grips with neither breathing device (7)
- 14 Hug me back for support (7)
- 19 Fix yours and my hardship (6)
- 20 Police pioneer returning in ship holes up (6)
- 23 Rampant leaf parasite (4)
- 24 Song of Bulgarian origin (4)