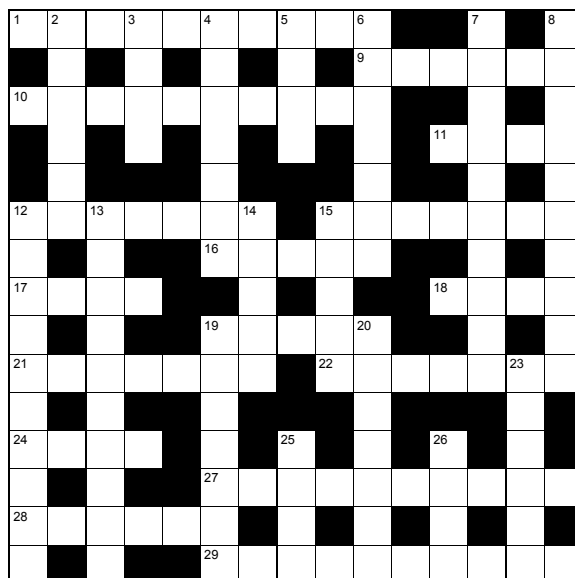


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### ACROSS

- 1 Drunken sot samples purgative medicine (5,5)
- 9 Caribbean island also conceals British silver (6)
- 10 Abandoned footballer in red (4-6)
- 11 Worker fellow makes complaint (4)
- 12 Rod gets crazy about one person serving drinks (7)
- 15 Lose heart when praised, surprisingly (7)
- 16 Handed student a hammer (5)
- 17 Some wonder if flute will provide repeated musical phrase (4)
- 18 School requires memo to be sent back (4)
- 19 Nobleman keeps time for him (5)
- 21 Attendant scattered waste on road (7)
- 22 Contrition shown by note to detective (7)
- 24 Not at home with a course (4)
- 27 Attest fare is outstanding – this may remain? (10)
- 28 Louis Gossett initially upset another actor (6)
- 29 Copper robs me twice – could be awkward (10)

### DOWN

- 2 Father Fitzgerald provides Spanish dish (6)
- 3 Nannies missing last bit of Lightning Seeds (4)
- 4 Son hid gin after organising lively party (7)
- 5 Returning, I left theatre box (4)
- 6 Daughter in Ulster cooked pastry (7)
- 7 Man works mostly as criminal (10)
- 8 Concern involved with fee for meeting (10)
- 12 Store plates perhaps in Devon town (10)
- 13 Thoroughly search mountains for a place for shooting practice (5,5)
- 14 Went out with someone old-fashioned (5)
- 15 Freed lunatic, causing delay (5)
- 19 Professional's backing US spies – that's commonplace (7)
- 20 Substitute's aloofness (7)
- 23 Part of embassy's temporary organisation (6)
- 25 I came across uplifting article (4)
- 26 At least 48 hours in stupor, we hear (4)

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## SOLUTION

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## ACROSS

1 Epsom salts. 9 Tobago. 10 left-winger. 11 beef. 12 barmaid. 15 despair. 16 gavel. 17 riff. 18 Eton. 19 peter. 21 steward. 22 remorse. 24 away. 27 aftertaste. 28 Lugosi. 29 cumbersome.

## DOWN

2 paella. 3 oats. 4 shindig. 5 loge. 6 strudel. 7 malefactor. 8 conference. 12 Barnstaple. 13 rifle-range. 14 dated. 15 defer. 19 prosaic. 20 reserve. 23 system. 25 item. 26 days.