

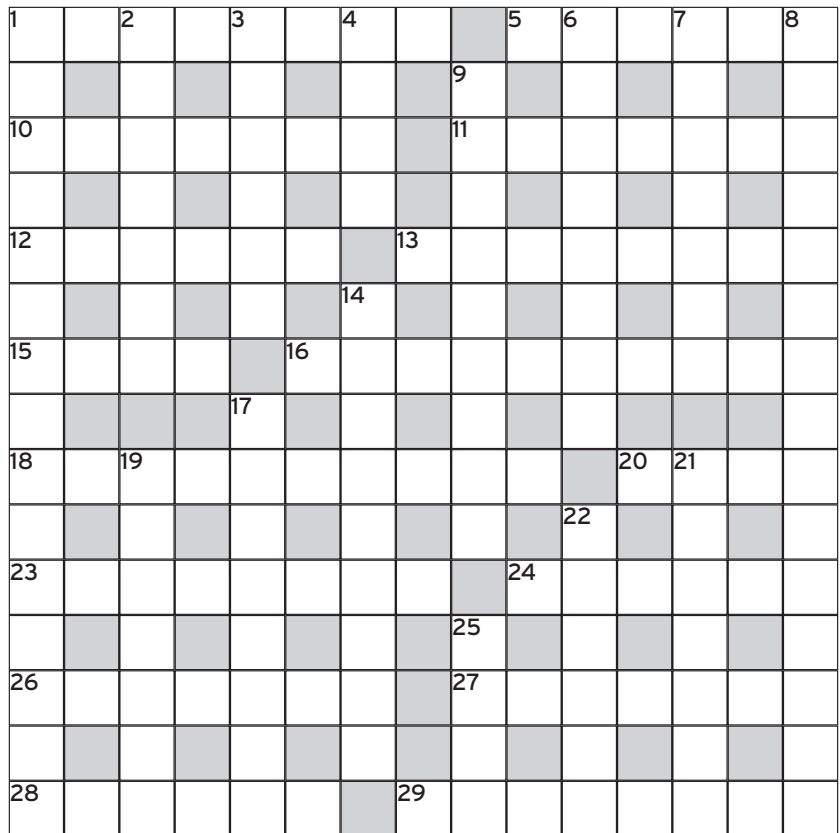
THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8974

Across

- 1 Fellow finds champions, about 50, in irons (8)
- 5 The man for unbelievable facts? (6)
- 10 Endure the man who was finally dismissed (4,3)
- 11 Fish for an unknown person (7)
- 12 Left the car in a slot (6)
- 13 Bravura of a type? (4,4)
- 15 South Indian mother, whichever way you look at her (4)
- 16 Reward for sena deployment in contest (10)
- 18 Additional insurance for a cricket fielder (5, 5)
- 20 You may apply it on yourself from a metal container (4)
- 23 As used to protect oneself from cold or noise (8)
- 24 I in one new vehicle am futile (2, 4)
- 26 Crazy person involved in a cult (7)
- 27 Lew rushes around the others to contend (7)
- 28 They extract moisture from clothes (6)
- 29 Essential component (8)

Down

- 1 Mmmm, I can't disclose the secret to you (2,4,3,6)
- 2 Holy man in no spirit for cure-all (7)
- 3 Necklace causes resentment with no king but learner (6)
- 4 Snacks when tea's served (4)
- 6 Albert not involved in minor episode (8)
- 7 Plant in Atlanta nature park (7)
- 8 It's unpredictable – Shaw book or Chuck Berry rock song (3,5,3,4)
- 9 Can't he write major verse? (5,4)



- 14 The sort of hit that film producers would like to have (3,6)
- 17 Sailor rearing up on Ulster revolution is a pillar of support (8)
- 19 Try any new device to put down iron rule (7)
- 21 Electrical fitment girl at port installed (7)
- 22 Addition for girl on the river (6)
- 25 Small, feeble poet (4)

Solution to Puzzle 8973

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