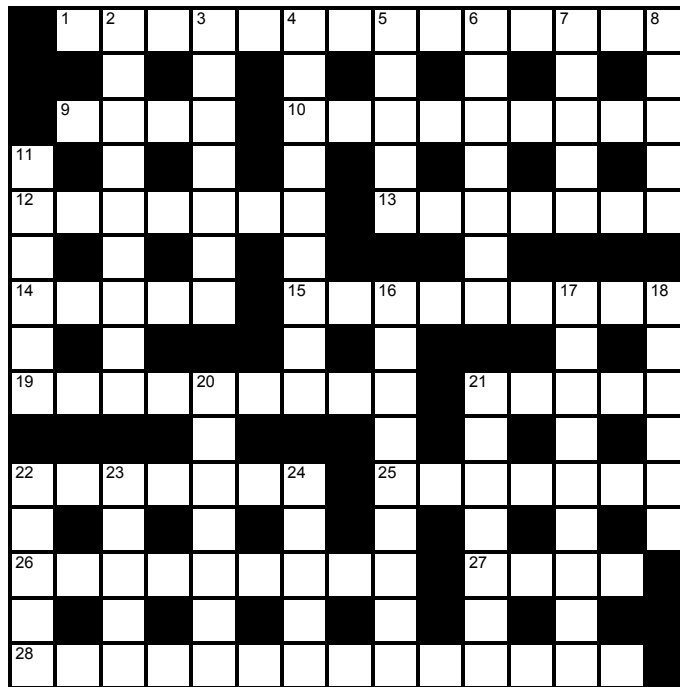


Salty Tales

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Salty happenings remembered in October

Across

- 1/10/26/25 Thus 11 became immortal - with what complex yet salty understanding he lived! (7,7,4,5,3,4,2,3,4)
 9/22 11 finally appealed to sky, misheard perhaps (4,2,5)
 10 See 1
 12 The French among spectators regarding one side of 11 (7)
 13 After end of battle, 11's flagship shows slight damage and he asks occupants to leave (7)
 14 Finishes, puts cork in bottle and places back (5)
 15 An Englishman abroad compromised by urge to apply the blue pencil (9)
 19 Unimpeachable? Hardly, but Biggles continues (2,5,2)
 21 Founder of Oneida Community gives contradictory replies (5)
 22 See 9
 25 See 1
 27/21D 11 raises glass to enemy and opines, "Is she crazy?" (1,3,2,5)
 28 Time-honoured and most senior (before abolished jobcentre disappeared) (3-11)

Down

- 2 Performance in theatre with inadequate fields of vision - depart livid (6,3)
 3 Takes heed of slope in deck and measures below (7)
 4 How a trawlerman describes the value of his business? (3,6)
 5 Get high on what the Spanish used to consume (5)
 6 First screening a little prior to the middle of filming? That's right! (7)
 7 Tea or sea? My vest protects me! (5)
 8 Severely, catastrophically, Eve expelled for being the more deceitful (5)
 11 Boatman's boatman drifting, nonetheless cutting loose sheet (6)
 16 Draught horse to deliver container of party cheer ... (9)
 17 ... because reader was to cancel order (2,3,4)
 18 Texts of last couple of apostles, for example Simon initially (6)
 20 Union between home and home's like the house of Usher, perhaps (2,5)
 21 See 27 Across
 22 Pluck the lyre! Memorably frenzied fandango (5)
 23 Set teeth on edge, wherein perfected ... (5)
 24 ... Crimean royal takeaway inspected (5)

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