

Across

- 1 Police nurse in court following a crash (8)
- 5 Ring English lecturer back on one? (6)
- 8 It may lie about in ambush (3)
- 9 Control reproduction having crossed legs at the outset (10)
- 10 20 grand on number 7 in the July Cup! (4,4)
- 11 Throw peanuts about when priest leaves (6)
- 12 Worried by daughter's boyfriend? (4)
- 14 Totally smitten with bird in Derby (6,4)

- 17 A stone item used to build a house or flat (10)
- 20 Noble king exiles Liberal to the far east (4)
- 23 Bishop runs the best services in suspenders (6)
- 24 Message woman with clients regularly returns (8)
- 25 Like one guilty of battery without touching? (10)
- 26 Spinster shunning male assistance (3)
- **27** Flight deck? (6)
- 28 Food parcel cracked open by soldiers? (8)

Down

- 1 City employer promoting a hydroelectric project? (9)
- 2 Hipster stashes drug under counter in club (7)
- 3 Tug sunk in river flood (6)
- 4 Hit single for the Boss? (6,3)
- 5 Résumé needs tweaking on receipt of a degree (7)
- 6 Hellish bit associated with fiery sermon? (9)
- 7 What may be misleading about new season's stock (7)
- 13 Simple church song in which the weary take comfort (4,5)

- 15 Left dance without Jack, he wouldn't pick up his bill! (9)
- 16 Catalogue with pull-out European style guide (4,5)
- 18 Girl on bed polishing off large fruit (7)
- 19 Bill's pink collection of bloomers (7)
- 21 A wasted friar close to collapse is the cost of getting high
- 22 Rector's orgy that won't include kiss in the apse?! (6)