

# THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8726

## Across

- 1 Extinguish the light and call the guard (4,3)  
 5 Improvements made or suggested (7)  
 9 Free from disturbing influence (7)  
 10 Willing in obedience and service (7)  
 11 Length of time on stage (3)  
 12 Unconcealed and openly done (5)  
 13 Form of military hat (5)  
 14 View vaguely held (6)  
 15 View a way to seek wealth (8)  
 18 Nobody initially ignores the device used for leading a bull (4,4)  
 20 Unfit for consumption? What a pity (3,3)  
 24 Finger's breadth as unit of length (5)  
 26 Weird oriental lake (5)  
 27 Place where wild animals are bred and exhibited (3)  
 28 One who uses mildly sarcastic words to mean the opposite of what is said (7)  
 29 Transposition of letters of word usually found here (7)  
 30 He seeks or makes illicit gain (7)  
 31 Men turn tail about troublesome illness (7)

## Down

- 1 The ground to soak up water (7)  
 2 Regard with deference (7)  
 3 A shade unwell (3,6)  
 4 Tipped up to the left (6)  
 5 Moscow to give a bird a lead? (8)  
 6 Celebrations as the speakers destiny (5)  
 7 Shape to a purpose again (7)  
 8 Make over all or some of one's shares in company (4,3)

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- 16 Sell now at newly built block (9)  
 17 Sin compounded by voter who is out to make money (8)  
 18 A passing acquaintance dropping off? (7)  
 19 So a grin can upset an Italian wife (7)  
 21 Eccentric and grotesque (7)  
 22 Despised passive person (7)  
 23 Corrected at the front of the book (6)  
 25 Be affected by pollution (5)

## Solution to Puzzle 8725

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