

THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8745

Across

- 1 Communication about love backs soldier (7)
- 5 Second-grade climber's aid, a bag of air maybe (7)
- 9 To the extent it can, fear spoils a bass's development (2,3,2,8)
- 10 Go after union leader steeped in money (6)
- 11 The dance of the beloved corporal, say (8)
- 13 Such a bachelor may not remain one for long (8)
- 15 Back of the neck, convenient for a catch? (6)
- 18 Boat, one with an edge (6)
- 19 Inert nut modified as a nourishing thing (8)
- 22 Uncommon object, like a bird seldom seen (4,4)
- 24 Swimmer's style is a hit (6)
- 27 A lady has to be expecting to suffer from it (7,8)
- 28 Characters constituting correspondence (7)
- 29 Haggle at the pub, get the advantage (7)

Down

- 1 Pirate's disoriented, tiring walk (7)
- 2 Bid made in a bout of fertile imagination (5)
- 3 Creature of northern state, pig-like all around (9)
- 4 Girl with a pink complexion (4)
- 5 Protection from rain obtained by clutching a cylinder (6)
- 6 In India it has been renamed as a part of a homely place (5)
- 7 Long term bond for an engineer wearing false teeth (9)
- 8 Recite readily "Part of the film cancelled"! (4,3)
- 12 Insect that can travel by air (3)
- 14 Throw light on a new, prettier design (9)
- 16 The concierge to assume responsibility? (9)
- 17 Beer holder, a sticky thing when turned up (3)

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- 18 Chewy sweet made with cream: a pound possibly (7)
- 20 Troop leader with motive for a crime against the state (7)
- 21 Fuel, half viscous liquid and half hydrogen, say (6)
- 23 A counterpart having the same characteristics (5)
- 25 Greek character reflected in an image morbidly (5)
- 26 A member who gets 51 megabytes (4)

Solution to Puzzle 8744

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