

The Hindu Crossword No. 2684

Across

- 1 Give an account of extremely divisive writer (8)
- 5 Modest teas prepared after church (6)
- 10 Impersonate girl in *La Bohème* beginning to cry (5)
- 11 Smuggled spirits? Nonsense (9)
- 12 Fancy the Wise Men being taken in in the East (7)
- 13 Fluid on items, slightly wet (7)
- 14 Clearly guilty, so dismissed during dramatic scene? (6,2,3,3)
- 17 See Edinburgh-born inventor in plant (10,4)
- 21 Patent medicine – not rums, unfortunately! (7)
- 23 Scored at a brisk speed, a fifty by member run out (7)
- 24 Supporter of Parliament's lively leader (9)
- 25 Coach tour rearranged following onset of tonsillitis (5)
- 26 Sharp, boy wearing one (2,4)
- 27 Find out about unusual sort of photography (8)

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Down

- 1 Prepare top field (6) 2 Another identical stove at home (4,5)
- 3 Shocking type of music (in key) (7)
- 4 Two bouncers about to, very close together (6-2-6)
- 6 Holds that man's heroin and cannabis (7)
- 7 Anglo-Irish satirist is fast (5)
- 8 An extremely long time – possibly entire year going round Turkey's capital (8)
- 9 Vulgar, with what could be no regard for the usual type (6,2,6)
- 15 Reptile flying at gorilla (9)
- 16 Written outline, showing no care, is sloppy (8)
- 18 Almost too soon, party married for a title (7)
- 19 Hold up one who's taking flight across Sweden (7)
- 20 End of August 'orrible? Scorching (6)
- 22 Avoid rear-end of cart or crash (5)

Solution No. 2683

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