

The Hindu Crossword No. 2492

Across

- 1 Junior sports team member lapping graduate, a blue (6)
 4 Options involving cold sweets (4,4)
 9 Vexation shown by first of mares in trough (6)
 10 I fly with one American martyr (8)
 12 Possible outcome of chess game in flat against pal (9)
 13 Assistant catching small stage whisper (5)
 14 Spam on chalet menu abroad (8,4)
 18 Drug I dig, scarcely worried (8,4)
 21 No-hoper, not as far away after leader's gone (5)
 22 Subsistence level reportedly raised before row (9)
 24 Chief support provided by mother during visit (8)
 25 Miner's tailless dog (6)
 26 Apple dessert, lacking in taste after roast (8)
 27 Secret press (6)

Down

- 1 I'm so embarrassed wearing new lace undergarment (8)
 2 Sash and girl's handkerchief (8)
 3 Feudal lord, say, in tale (5)
 5 One clinging on to attacker in confusion? (6-6)
 6 Cleaner, by a stop, caught bus (9)
 7 Pop briefly coming round in hospital (6)
 8 Nurse demanding cut is bandaged (6)
 11 Plaintive cry on ship from most senior male director, perhaps (3,9)
 15 Poser they solved at once (3,6)
 16 Longs to nurse poorly Greek hero (8)
 17 One supporting that lady during a depression (8)
 19 Stop talking about large American at university (4,2)
 20 A second omen for delegate (6)
 23 Amusing puppet round end of pier (5)

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