

The Stickler Weekly 211 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 POSTLUDE	Voluntary guard's location ahead of arranged duel (8)	POST + anagram of DUEL
5 CHOSEN	Tube put in empty can is picked out? (6)	HOSE inside C(a)N
9 THOUGHT	Mental activity may be all the same with time (7)	THOUGH + T
10 TALKING	Head of Linguistics involved in delightful conversation (7)	(L)INGUISTICS inside TAKING
11 TAPESTRIES	Needlework samples shown at end of videos (10)	TRIES after TAPES
12 BUST	Work of art is broken (4)	Double Definition
14 OSTRACISM	Replacement of actors is mass exclusion (9)	Anagram of ACTORS + IS + M
16 SEAL	Ocean mammal ultimately? (4)	SEA + MAMMA(L)
18 FINE	Suitable punishment for doing something wrong (4)	Double Definition
19 AD NAUSEAM	Genetic material identified in gold layer time after time (2,7)	DNA inside AU + SEAM
21 UNDO	Open combined sections of playground only (4)	playgroUND Only
22 DISCIPLINE	Check record with one piano track (10)	DISC + I + P + LINE
25 HEATHEN	Irreligious head almost terminated at a later date (7)	(HEA)D + THEN
26 EDIFIES	Instructs journalist in case that is starting to surface (7)	ED + IF + IE + (S)URFACE
27 DREAMY	Wonderful doctor may be taking surgery without bookings initially (6)	DR + [anagram of MAY BE minus (B)OOKINGS]
28 BRANCHED	Area of garden enclosing large farm is spread out (8)	BED outside RANCH

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 PETITION	Lowly worker, taking it around twice, signed request (8)	PEON outside (IT reversed twice)
2 SLOOP	Craft shop's opening collective up (5)	(S)HOP + (POOL reversed)
3 LEGISLATED	Section, one heavily criticised, made laws (10)	LEG + I + SLATED
4 DETERMINATION	Prevent one country following presidium's final ruling (13)	DETER + [(I + NATION) after PRESIDIU(M)]
6 HALT	Walk unsteadily to stop (4)	Double Definition
7 STIPULATE	Lay down fresh tulips at base of gravestone (9)	Anagram of TULIPS + AT + GRAVESTON(E)
8 NEGATE	Neutralise agent tortured by enemy at the front (6)	Anagram of AGENT + (E)NEMY
10 THERMONUCLEAR	The column replaced in set up involving atomic fusion (13)	THE + (anagram of COLUMN inside REAR)
13 ASSUMPTION	Game official turned it on following dope seizure (10)	(UMP + IT reversed + ON) after ASS
15 THIRD BASE	Bids are greatly varied in the diamond area (5,4)	Anagram of (BIDS AR)E inside THE
17 IMMERSED	Essential elements of slimmer's education should be absorbed (8)	sLIMMERS Education
20 PUSHED	Backed up in front of storage unit in a hurry (6)	UP reversed + SHED
23 IRISH	Hippie originally behind Flower People (5)	(H)IPPIE after IRIS
24 SHAM	Fraud has adversely impacted millions (4)	Anagram of HAS + M

