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ACROSS

- 1 Thorough detective engaged by bungling hospital (2-5)
- 5 Garbage collector brought back top golf club (7)
- 9 Dancing group from Ireland is coming (5)
- 10 Wild animal holding performance at time of suckling (9)
- 11 Everyone connected with crystal meth restricting an agreement (8)
- 12 Controlled card game and made a call (4,2)
- 14 Snipers giving people outside doctored photos (13)
- 17 Detective booked our four in unusual circumstances? (7,6)
- 21 One leaving economics corrected newspaper feature (6)
- 23 Mass conflict, evident in launch, is controlling code (8)
- 25 Hold up one working at the front in kiosk (9)
- 26 Tube containing a coin with historical significance (5)
- 27 Those people harbouring strong desire curtailed white magic (7)
- 28 A pile of sand moved finally in NZ port (7)

DOWN

- 1 Someone from Asia recalled helper accommodated by hotel (6)
- 2 Person who exposes one losing record? (9)
- 3 Representation of a parrot is in proportion? (3,4)
- 4 The police scrambled back to their aircraft (10)
- 5 Heartless relative is discriminating? (4)
- 6 Show of courage and feminine support against trouble (7)
- 7 Selection of basic ingredients is top stuff (5)
- 8 Relatives send around small expression of affection (8)
- 13 "Confirmed" was first officially recorded (10)
- 15 Opening day's opening is filled with wonder and delight (9)
- 16 Muscular person from the country, taking part in test, retired (8)
- 18 One of the family sitting by a river is confused (7)
- 19 Time of fasting went quickly holding a cross (7)
- 20 Respect India's crossword setter? (6)
- 22 Deer makes low noises close to people (5)
- 24 Bat mostly used by youngster (4)