SUNDAY No 124 - NEWS PUZZLE by GUY

ACROSS

- 1 Stitched up by turds.
- Ukraine's borders moving (7) 5 Gets ready for century with
- cricket series going badly (6) 8 US soldier taken with
- Madame's gifts (6)
- 9 Witness Reeves & OBR blundering without a bit of
- embarrassment (8) 10 Row when East's covered in
- flood (4) 11 Stocking filler? (5,5) **13** Brief epitaph in church finally
- commemorates Christ! (6)
- fish (8) **16** DC to Arab represented
- malian influence (3.5) 18 Introduce train carriage with
- British Rail covering its front (6)
- 20 Star of new musical quietly putting on weight (10)
- 23 Has that hurt NHS, striking hospital? (4) 24 Encounter cry of disgust —
- kid's opening restricted website in Oz (8)
- 26 Western military apparatus informed, prepare for action (4,2)
- 27 Heard what Albanese did to 24? Criminal (6)
- 28 Votes for leader of Your Party handed out. Republican absent? withdrawn, long story (7)

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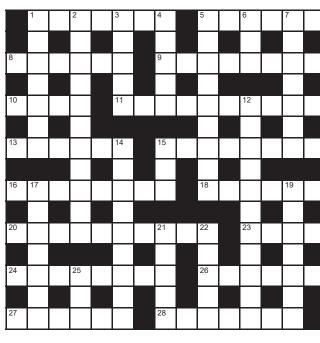
- 1 At sea, take charge of Venezuelan tanker (7)
- 2 Writer beginning to regret occupying cat's favourite cushion (3.8)3 Chocolates in tub were
- revolting and small (5) 4 Asphyxiate — term young Farage might have used in

retrospect? (5)

- 5 Coffee shop gang raised billions, as will World Cup tickets (4,1,4)
- 6 Keir Starmer for example 15 Turkey with 25% off, less than enjoys ironing trousers (3) 7 River crossed close to Rome
 - put to use (7) 12 Sir Ronald? No. different guv
 - at McLaren (5.6) 14 Institute attacked Labour
 - leader who couldn't win an election (3.2.4) 15 Christmas tree perhaps not
 - quite stable (3) 17 Like being gripped by a crazy Trollope novel? (3.4)
 - 19 Opposed to panel of 12 peers,
 - making it disappear? (7) 21 City: reasonable year for
 - banks (5) 22 Where there's a peace prize
 - Never (2.3)
 - 25 Date that is coming up, religious festival with stuffing (3)



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