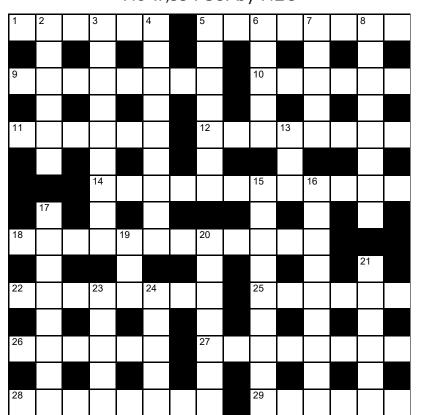
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ACROSS

- **1** See 10
- 5 Photograph showing cracks (8)
- **9** Attire put in steaming water (8)
- **10/1** Medical centre here: let's try to cure adult admitted (6,6)
- **11** Friction a problem in wheels (6)
- **12** French place in north with Raymond cooking (8)
- **14** One engaged by Orangeman perhaps is in to stop gloater (12)
- 18 Drink best in old case I'd ordered (3-5,4)22 River boat for rescuing an elite regiment
- 22 River boat for rescuing an elite regiment(8)25 Favour fairer voting system, potentially
- free (6)

 26 A change in store at sea or an 18? (6)
- 27 Support drug habit, immoral, saving opium venue? (8)
- 28 Blake ultimately dragged into completely blood-soaked symbolism (8)29 Beer feeding explosive natural ability (6)

DOWN

- 2 Host initially revealed in skimpy
- underwear (6)

 3 Imagine this clue starts out as cryptic!
- (9)
 4 Happen to exhale water vapour (9)
- 5 Something in chest to check when entertaining insane run (7)
- 6 Other ranks after charge can't stand (5)
- 7 Shy artisan occasionally in war-torn location (5)
- 8 Take too much from ordinary poem about party (8)
- 13 Bird lost taking off close to castle ditch(3)
- 15 Impression Arab makes at Longchamp?(9)16/23 Keep away from bore don't get
- involved (5,4,5)

 17 Deprayed one put out by my speering
- 17 Depraved one put out by my sneering?(8)
- (8)
 19 Held aboard British ships, Sandinista

finally took flight (3)

- 20 Skill entering answer for first of puzzle's unknowns (7)
- 21 One churchman or another bottling gas
 (6)
- **23** See 16
- **24** With river gone, aquatic mammals up for fight (3-2)