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ACROSS

 Officer assisting general casing house for special purpose (2,3)
Scientific formula for preparing cabbage.

so it's said (6,3)

9 Enid's exhausted, perishing: just maintaining circulation (7)

10 Captain moving south for fish (7)

11 Lytham pool got nearly hot when heated. That's science for you (13)

14 British composer's inner voice (4)

15 Company once transported ingredients of Asian diet (4,5)

18 Greatly shortened run — a sort of dash — to cathedral (9)

19 Night-flier's annual check-up in UK hospital (4)

21 Comprehensive source of cocaine played out (13)

24 One going through to ancient city street? (7)

26 Rallying cry in US reversed gun policy (3,4)

27 Water supply from port backing onto mostly protected land (9)

28 Different features in Motherwell and Rotherhithe (5)

DOWN

1 Declare validity of note without question (4)

2 This sort of pressure could make dictator shy (11)

3 Hackneyed stuff in equal measure from Clinton and Cheney (6)

4 VIP's pompous word for photographers (3,6)

5 Awkward fellow in country hotel finally holds up Bond (5)

6 Fear of good news that's apparently prevalent in Brexiteers? (8)

7 Shelter regularly used in Lucerne (3)

8 Half-hearted desire to scrub Y-fronts by end of January (5-5)

12 Fussy sort who initially idolised Salmond (3-8)

13 Runner in front's in step with me (4-6)

16 Head of Mossad, identified as such by Fleming (9)

17 Offensive Athenian character starts to encourage rebellion, becoming more annoyed (8)

20 Movement of a soldier in difficulty (6)

22 Best cap (5)

23 I may be interrupting water — effecting regulation, primarily (4)

25 Raises dogs without the lead (3)