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ACROSS

1 Dog bones wrapped in Express edition (7)

5 Perhaps Hereford lodging remains constant money-spinner (4,3)

9 Writhe, knocking back marine food finally — like this? (5)

10 Cocktail with the deep piece of cake (3,6)

11 Tech company choose to sack foremost brainbox (9)

12 Sort of square rock poster (5)

13 Foreign food turned ordinary hotel cooler (5)

15 Drier Romans regularly avoided the endless river (9)

18 Third person outside in lowland to hunt for bird (9)

19 Film, hit at box office (5)

21 Undergo shaving of bone in ear (right) (5)

23 Some describe Les Pritchard as a genius (3,6)

25 Cross in a religious building that covers floor (9)

26 Board of characters definitely Parisian and Bavarian (5)

27 Evergreen British governors in 1970s(7)

28 Part of machinery nowadays one learns through elder, say (7)

DOWN

1 Spaniard's agreed, in eg spring, to

forgo a period of boozing? (7)

2 Army companion probes coward that passes over stiff upper lip? (9)

3 Maybe Alpine air, at rear, chilly to Derek (5)

4 Some French devil meets a Venetian beauty (9)

5 Carol taps social worker? (5)

6 Strain in back curtailed yogi? (9)

7 Teaching Native American deer audibly (5)

8 Rotary stunt? Refuse to enter it (7)

14 Mature type of mustard for tongue (3,6)

16 Keeping outwardly lawful, defame attending suspect (5,1,3)

17 Single one brought in without any scratches? (9)

18 Second snatch involving a legendary muscle-builder? (7)

20 Power cut around middle of afternoon causes fury (7)

22 Joint that's tasty needs a divider? (5)23 Crocodile possibly becoming angry

when temperature doubles (5)

24 Brighton neighbour supports initiative of strike force (5)