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JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Show amateur and great poet using the same metre (8)
- **5** Lavish drink on sons at uni (4-2)
- 10 Unacceptable idea I must abandon (3,2) 11 Monks wanting extra-long cassocks, an
- unreasonable request? (4,5) 12 Replacement Eurostar terminal in
- Barking planned (9) 13 Reference book finally abridged (5) 14 Seconds from splashdown, take shelter
- for inventor's protection (6) 15 Swimmer finishing with a strong kick, then getting out? (7) **18** Waiting agent strips again in the mirror
- 20 Fury on both sides faced with PM's change (6) 22 Vehicle with trailer reversing it through
- bend (5)
- 24 Send ampoule containing end of applicator, having had Covid? (9) 25 East Coast mainline station still
- widening platform (9) **26** Poke for one horse from behind (5) 27 Rolling in mud, soldiers initially practice
- without kit (6) 28 Casual affair saving daughter's marriage, perhaps (8)

DOWN

- 1 Try to make perfect street straight (6) 2 Convoy's way blocked by tense whales
- (9) **3** Start of novel, say: two space travellers
- back from Mars make a fast buck (4,4,7) 4 Victim of eviction stirred us to act (7)
- 6 Olive on an ID card represented Italian oil producer (8,2,5)
- 7 Load piano having turned lever on it
- 8 Blighter hazards that woman has no end of goodwill (8)
- 9 Customer with right to a lawyer in court
- 16 Brainy fellow going to round up vote
- for Democratic Party (6,3) 17 Idiot seeing trespass hired gun (8)
- 19 Cancel drive back having received answer (6)
- 20 Married ladies corrected cards handed out in error (7) 21 Left in charge, Charlie cleared out
- winter clothing (6) 23 Warm fabric undesirable for gardener with temperature up (5)