

Across

- 9 Their toff's excellent? (2,3,5,5)
- **10** Gives friction to point and leg-side fielder. (7)
- 12 Thinks about when one does not finish second. (7)
- 13/23 Rumour from God about coronation, perhaps. (3,4,2,3,6)
- **14** Passed away about midafternoon without water. (5)
- 15 First Perseus, perhaps, has cut the Medusoid heart and is aided by this. (7)
- **18** Insults spark on board. (7)
- 21 Loop round in feature. (5)
- **23** See 13
- **25** Forces are fresh to the poles. (7)

- **26** Bears shot for number of temples. (7)
- **29** Bid intruders off, munching apples in Eden? (9,6)

Down

- 1 Short desire to hug old madman. (4)
- 2 Strike with some fast undercuts. (4)
- 3 Second boxer to get broken nose surrounding animals. (3,5)
- **4** Letter about one very quiet shot. (6)
- 5 Artisans sculpt leading ladies. (8)
- 6 River, lake and country. (6)
- 7 Scold for an hour after youth embraces maiden. (8)
- 8 Extremely rancid causes confused with holy ones. (8)

- 11 This pigment is mixed with pestle in Cleethorpes. (5)
- 15 This gadget takes century to fix pink fence. (8)
- 16 Bug two women in the unending twilight with soldier. (8)
- 17 Decide on a team for no production. (3-5)
- 19 Steering-wheels in ones and twos, say. (8)
- **20** Articles about tense character. (5)
- **22** Former partner of the ear is strange. (6)
- **24** Windows open East and get wider. (6)
- 27 Tear down ladder. (4)
- 28 Strip commandos' hearts. (4)