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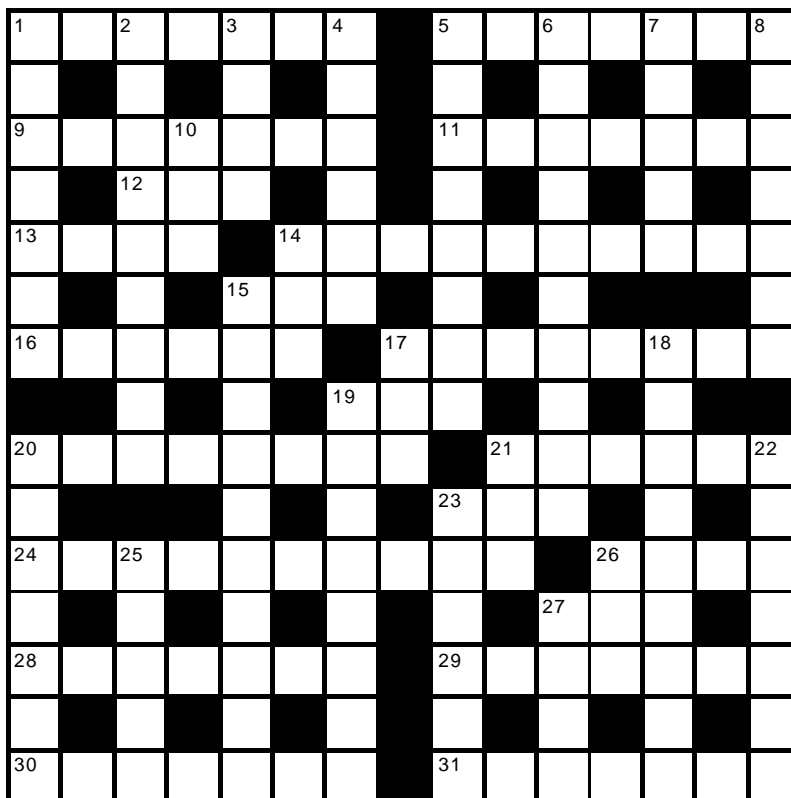
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Across

- 1 There's no rum after last month, making for a good order (7)
- 5 In taking a little taste, I would find it quite bland (7)
- 9 The composer went to court for a decision (7)
- 11 Certain, after the French one was duty-free (7)
- 12 Vet "V" (3)
- 13 A cross that's not found in Ulster (4)
- 14 Alters this and it's safer to go back on in his (10)
- 15 It often follows, dear, the second one is right (3)
- 16 Get angry with Edward the Soothsayer (3,3)
- 17 Reminders for me and the guys to stop-start (8)
- 19 Not just bailed out the French island (3)
- 20 Explosive has a short fuse (50-50) ... can I see? (8)
- 21 Order surgical removal of the US ... and yes, it stinks (6)
- 23 A bad back seems awfully fishy (3)
- 24 Ludicrous, ludicrous, ludicrous about one. (10)
- 26 Nothing but holds for wrestlers (4)
- 27 ... because the four doesn't include you! (3)
- 28 Sort of put it about the star is someone objectionable (7)
- 29 Quite a fuss after the copper goes into the emergency room in South America (7)
- 30 Like this shirt under that jumper? There's one left, and yes, it's red (7)
- 31 It's even more clear when she takes both queens (7)

Down

- 1 Splits up Desmond, Diane and Violet, not necessarily in that order (7)
- 2 Where talc is used in gymnastics? (9)
- 3 Drops what's top-notch in the Queen's navy (4)



- 4 I hear that hospital in Dublin, it occupies some space (6)
- 5 Doomed to flail around, Edward? (3-5)
- 6 Exotic food with high iron content? (5,5)
- 7 A place you get to almost out of the system (5)
- 8 The S.S. medic upstairs cleans the wound (7)
- 10 Men use Form D, where there's room for the family (3)
- 14 It's clear the director gets overturned (3)
- 15 A corrupt cashier takes Daniel for a ride (5,5)
- 17 A big sandwich and an apple (3)
- 18 It's very difficult to find Jesuits, say, over six-foot (4,5)
- 19 William got a lien, then Edward told the soldiers where to stay (8)
- 20 Simulated violet ultra-chaotically? (7)
- 21 Grabs nothing, even when it's funny (3)
- 22 Maybe someone at the wedding wrapped the car around the tree in a tizzy? (7)
- 23 Pressure to fit you into a dress (6)
- 25 Here's 500, then you put the pigs there, that field, but after spring (5)
- 26 Be around a snake (3)
- 27 Get us an iron container for the igniter (4)

Difficulty Rating: ①②③④⑤

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1 DEC-O-RUM

After last month (DEC) there's no rum (O RUM) making for a = DECORUM: good order.

5 IN-SIP-I'D

In (IN) taking a little taste (SIP) I would (I'D) find it = INSIPID: quite bland.

9 VERDI-CT

The composer (VERDI) went to court (CT) for = VERDICT: a decision.

11 LE-I-SURE

After the French one (LE I) certain (SURE) was = LEISURE: duty-free.

12 TEN

In Latin, "V et V" (5 and 5) = TEN

13 DOWN

A-cross, that's not = DOWN: found in Ulster.

14 REFAS-HI(ONS)

It's "safer" to go back (REFAS) "on" in "his" (H-ON-IS) = REFASHIONS: alters.

15 SIR

The second (S) one (I) is right (R) = SIR: it often follows "dear", as in Dear Sir.

16 (SEE R)ED

The soothsayer (SEER) with Edward (ED) = SEE RED: get angry.

17 ME-MEN-TO-S

Me (ME) and the guys (MEN) to (TO) s-top start (S) for = MEMENTOS: reminders.

19 BAD

ba-ILE-d "out" the French island (ILE) = BAD: not just.

20 V-O-L-CAN-IC

50 (V-O) 50 (L) can I see (CAN IC) = VOLCANIC: explosive, has a short fuse.

21 GARLIC

SU-rgical "removal" of the US (RGICAL) order = GARLIC: and yes, it stinks.

23 DAB

A "bad" back = DAB: seems awfully fishy.

24 RID(I)CULOUS

Ludicrous "ludicrous" (RID-CULOUS) about one (I) = RIDICULOUS: ludicrous.

26 B(O)UT

But (B-UT) holds nothing (O) = BOUT: for wrestlers.

27 FOR

The fo-U-r doesn't include you (U) = FOR: because.

28 UP(STAR)T

Sort of "put" (UP-T) it about the star (STAR) is = UPSTART: someone objectionable.

29 E(CU-ADOR)

Into the Emergency Room (E-R) goes the copper with quite a fuss (CU ADO) = ECUADOR: in South America.

30 L-AYE-RED

There's one left (L) and yes (AYE) it's red (RED) = LAYERED: like this shirt under this jumper.

31 SHE-ER-ER

When she (SHE) takes both queens (ER ER) it's = SHEERER: even more clear.

Down

1 DI-VI-DES

Desmond, Diane and Violet (DES-DI-VI) not necessarily in that order (DI-VI-DES) = DIVIDES: splits up.

2 CARTWHEEL

"Where talc" is used = CARTWHEEL: in gymnastics.

3 R(A)IN

In the Queen's navy (R-N) what's top-notch (A-I) = RAIN: drops.

4 MATTER

That hospital in Dublin (MATER) I hear = MATTER: it occupies some space.

5 ILL-FA-TED

To "flail" around (ILL-FA) Edward (TED) = ILL-FATED: doomed.

6 SHISH KEBAB

Exotic food with a steel skewer through it.

7 PL-U-TO

A place (PL) "you" get "to" (U-TO) = PLUTO: almost out of the (Solar) System.

8 DR-ESSES

The medic upstairs, on top (DR) S.S. (ESSES) = DRESSES: cleans the wound.

10 D-EN

M-en, use for "m" a "d" (D-EN) = DEN: where there's room for the family.

14 RID

The director (DIR) gets overturned = RID: it's clear.

15 SE(DAN) CHAIR

A corrupt "cashier" (SE-CHAIR) takes Daniel (DAN) for = SEDAN CHAIR: a ride.

17 MAC

A Big MAC is a big sandwich, and a MAC is a computer made by Apple.

18 TALL ORDER

Over six-foot (TALL) Jesuits, say (ORDER) to find = TALL ORDER: it's very difficult.

19 BILL-ET-ED

William (BILL) got a-lien (ET) then Edward (ED) = BILLETED: told the soldiers where to stay.

20 VI-RTUAL

Violet (VI) "ultra" chaotically (RTUAL) = VIRTUAL: simulated.

21 GAS

g-R-a-B-s nothing even (drop the even letters, R & B) = GAS: when it's funny.

22 CA(TERE)R

Wrapped the car (CA-R) around the "tree" in a tizzy (TERE) = CATERER: maybe someone at the wedding.

23 D(U)RESS

Into a dress (D-RESS) to fit you (U) = DURESS: pressure.

25 D-U-STY

Here's 500 (D) then you (U) put the pigs there (STY) = DUSTY: Springfield (that field but after spring).

26 B-O-A

Be (B) a-round (O) a (A) = BOA: snake.

27 F(US)E

An "iron" container (F-E) for us (US) for = FUSE: the igniter.

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