



**Across**

- 5/7 Discharge, shudder and ring in cold place (6,6)
- 8 Conservative correct to drop nothing from opinion (5-4)
- 9 Cat's foil, the Hun! (5)
- 10 Manage after apparent terrors in prediction (9)
- 11 See 22
- 12 Includes messy sinters (7)
- 14 Hand in plaything at ancient city (4)
- 18 Twist knee or gone mad over mechanism (3-6,6)

20 King makes a hash of itself (4)

21 Mourns crippled New Testament saint, initially (7)

22/11 Oily-sounding seabird (6)

23 Little Stanley has strange morning, dropping in on tough guy (9)

25 Right in middle of e.g. vinegar? Noxious! (5)

26 'Loco loco' meshes computer systems (9)

27 Gear can reverse spirit! (6)

**Down**

1 Foolishly, I stash car for antiques collectors (9)

2 Stupidly, egg soars right at belligerent! (9)

3 Extended in a pinch (2,1,7)

4 Measure of paraffin – or sherry? (4)

5 Very much a good hand! (1,5,4)

6 See 20

7 See 5 Across

13 'Chic toasts' – random? Random! (10)

15 Crazy, Nora, crazy – it's just for show! (10)

16 Short girl,

insensitive, hesitates to count badly (9)

17 Barca's Lionel burns sensi without one, resulting in chaos! (9)

19 Stir a cc of eggnog initially into pale ale – it'll make you sick! (6)

20/6 Tangled set of ideas - hard to understand! (6,6)

24 Schedule in tarot almanac? (4)