

Across

- 1 Contracts secured dubiously (7)
- 5 Tell soldier to abandon the hindmost (7)
- 9 Public figure to dominate (9)
- 10 Start bawling as I re-use nappies - wee child (5)
- 11 Storm wildly to and fro, without fail (7)
- 12 Best to choose one then keep quiet (7)
- 13 Fill up net in panic? There's more than enough (9)
- 15 Priest in catholic church may be bit of a saint? (5)
- 17 Take lid off paints and stir thoroughly to get this finish (5)
- 19 Her allies, drunk, cause a ruckus (5,4)
- 22 Fog enveloping motorway from Birmingham (7)
- 25 Stupid Omicron variant (7)
- 26 Driver in part of Hamburg erratic (5)
- 27 Dodgy internet a treat (9)
- 28 Expose detective's act (7)

- 29 Frenetic French frolic (7)
- Down**
- 1 Thatcher's workplace slated perhaps? (7)
 - 2 Cleaner declares arrears critical (9)
 - 3 Company with uranium and radium on books. Arms running? (7)
 - 4 Speaker may be underdog (9)
 - 5 Use Cointreau, shaken, not neat, for trifle (5)
 - 6 Hoodlum attacks half-sister (7)

- 7 Unusually, cent cut from income tax. Confused? It's a given (5)
- 8 Unknown in genes, leading to 1001 clones to start. Exciting! (7)
- 14 Let one in before test, as long as phrase is repeated (9)
- 16 Ambush uncovered alien in broadcasting authority (3,2,4)
- 17 Sober replacement expected, finally appointed (7)
- 18 Supporting miners, long time Labour figure (7)
- 20 I rue art lost in ancient Italy (7)
- 21 Short, lacy or nice bottoms off? (7)
- 23 Recommends 26 does this (5)
- 24 Opposition to spy endlessly over retreating soldiers (5)

