

**ACROSS**

- 1 Grammatical error? No, never! (6,8)
- 9 Tea service needs a backing (5)
- 10 Silent as Elsie's son can be (9)
- 11 Very big extinct animal (7)
- 12 Hot stuff black as wrapped in pancake (7)
- 13 In Japan, only a bit later (4)
- 14 Refuse to enter here (6,3)
- 18 Bird gets short reply during amalgamation (9)
- 20 Family favourites proved easy to see at first (4)
- 22 Don't touch this Beatles album (3,2,2)
- 25 Form of an atom that's kept stoop crooked (7)
- 26 Exotic Argentine fruit (9)
- 27 A stance returned by fabulist (5)
- 28 More fashionable photographer after Watt – impudent youth! (14)

**DOWN**

- 1 My goodness, there's a marine entering river (4,2)
- 2 Little bear you look up to? (4,5)
- 3 Ridicule the French politician having nothing on (7)
- 4 He's online playing short game of golf (4,5)
- 5 Grand dressing is flash (5)
- 6 Boy singer holding music's beginning to shake (7)
- 7 Looks at opinions (5)
- 8 Surprise with a noise when holding end of foot (7)
- 15 Trains Des developed suffered from lack of punctuality (9)
- 16 Shakespearean character to drink – cheers! (7,2)
- 17 Bird and dead ape (7)

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- 19 A knight joins fool at European city (7)
- 20 Corresponding to rodent in sailing boat (3,4)
- 21 Seasoning nobleman very quietly put in (6)
- 23 Small part of shelter beside hospital (5)
- 24 Cream of society among the literati (5)