

The Hindu Crossword 7704

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- 27** A Semite and the French have land for crop production (6)
28 The afore named Dutch title (7)
29 California briefly closes on first day of each month of old Roman calendar (7)

Down

- 2** Eavesdropper of low degree (6)
3 Kind of work that provides little standing (9)
4 Light them on a birthday cake (7)
6 Relates to members of secret male fraternity (7)
7 Draw out first lady to accept approval (5)
8 A glass cylinder for laboratory experiments

(4,4)

- 9** Be off putting in a manner of speaking (13)
16 Died unwillingly, as it were (9)
17 Kind of play to celebrate glorious delivery? (8)
19 Apprentice in GI quarter is back for instance with a woman's loose gown (7)
21 State for Asian with a following (7)
22 Used language that was abusive, but guarded (6)
24 Bind around key line, holding the dog (5)

Across

- 1** In no condition to enjoy high-speed travel (7)
5 Granted it could set many free (7)
10 Concealed in the study (6)
11 Press one for an answer (8)
12 Produced plants in identical manner (6)
13 Papers scattered at match venue (8)
14 Find her possibly in

- a swamp (6)
15 Mounts up with difficulty for the Tory members (6)
18 Any study carefully absorbed will lead to the ravine (6)
20 Teetotallers get one in with blemishes (6)
23 Trouble shooter gone to grass? (5,3)
25 Depressing to have one in the dumps (6)
26 Notwithstanding the first entered into a second wedlock (8)

Solution to puzzle 7703

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