

**Across**

- 1 Youngster smashing walls in round mining area (8)
- 5 Strips awkwardly, revealing tool (6)
- 10 Root satisfied by low fifty-one (5)
- 11 Oberon and Titania perhaps, heading off all starry-eyed (4-5)
- 12 Like a canal boat repeatedly not starting? Get rowing (4-5)
- 13 Kid starts to give away dance music (5)

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- 14 Distance is minute, right for hero to vault (6)
- 15 English man with a terrible skin issue (7)
- 18 Directs stirring end to film (7)
- 20 Large grass plain (6)
- 22 Extract of plum, a mild savoury flavour (5)
- 24 Old silver larch - fine now it's been treated (4-5)
- 25 Ring Saudi perhaps, when ordering nicer cloaks (9)
- 26 Unfit swan changes direction in city centre (5)

- 27 Tell high ranking clergyman "exorcise quietly!" (6)
- 28 Curate may bless congregation (8)
- 6 Deduce Chilean man's moving around mine, perhaps (8,7)
- 7 Bandage or cast (5)
- 8 One sounds like a much more honest traveller (8)
- 9 Privates say it protects the beach (6)
- 16 Current state of weakness? (2,1,3,3)
- 17 Vehicle mounting routine search on the outskirts (5,3)
- 19 Short trip around hot spot, made known by this ancient monument (6)
- 20 Revolutionary - one writing in to Shropshire Star (7)
- 21 Masses heading north, thirsty after evacuation and full of cold (6)
- 23 Hearing air beginning to leak (5)

**Down**

- 1 Try to prevent doctor being carried by Afghan? (6)
- 2 Next to one edge of rectangle? (9)
- 3 Liar describes large mammoth climbing in Tibet, little devil! (15)
- 4 Annoy court house with a smirk (7)