Polymath 903 Set by Bradman

ACROSS
1 A beta blocker (11)
7 A flat-bottomed Dutch or Baltic vessel (5)
10 A plant of the Labrador tea genus (5)
11 A woollen cap of Scottish origin (3-1-7)
12 An Italian pork sausage (10)
13 Hindu heaven (6)
15 A progressive dance in reel time (10,6)
18 A variety of grape used in producing various wines including Sauternes (8)
20 An informal word of farewell (6-2)
22 A sector of the business world based on the dissemination of information (9,7)
25 A large freshwater fish of northern India (6)
26 Discoloration cause by subcutaneous bleeding (10)
29 An official report (French) (6,5)
30 A fictional otter (5)
31 Made an appeal for help (5)
32 Chemical derived from animal and vegetable fats (7,4)

DOWN
1 Disputant in a controversy (10)
2 Biological group between a family and a class (5)
3 A small cake soaked in spirit (3,4)
4 Quantocks village in which Coleridge lived (6,6)
5 Thin plates or layers (8)
6 To be capable of emitting high-intensity coherent radiation (4)
7 An imaginary environment (4-5)
8 Form of sculpture (anagram of olive-oil art) (4,7)
9 H.G.Wells's fictional doctor (6)
14 German philosopher dealing with the concept of “will” (12)
16 Former institutions for young offenders (6,5)
17 Another name for Lindisfarne (4,6)
19 A Scottish nickname for the fox (6-3)
21 Alluring (French female form) (8)
23 Pertaining to a particular type of diffusion (7)
24 Trade union that became part of Unite (6)
27 A dry and dusty wind (5)
28 A Malayan dagger (4)

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