ACROSS
1 Note by a doctor to one going to a foreign country (6)
4 Fish and chip dish cooked with lard (8)
9 Out of the country? (2,4)
10 Cause unruly ladies to be separated (8)
12 One effect of gravity on a monkey is to yawn (4)
13 Musical number (5)
14 Record that may slip (4)
17 Member of the first firm at Westminster? (5-7)
20 Local place for refreshing game (8,4)
23 Game at home results in defeat (4)
24 Light shade contains a blemish (5)
25 Returning flavour has bite (4)
28 Film plot thus includes a rewrite of Racine (8)
30 Giving away recently purchased goods (8)
31 Shut tin-opener in cupboard (6)

DOWN
1 Leaving as a result of being fired (5,3)
2 A figure of speech satisfied a figure in speech (8)
3 Antonio wandered around this state (4)
5 Orders for this month's disturbances? (12)