CROSSWORD
No. 15,678 Set by ALBERICH

ACROSS
1 Exceedingly dejected about holding husband back (3,4)
5 A second artist goes round pub for a jar (7)
9 I can return, wired finally for sound (5)
10 One composer frequently heard another (9)
11 Entertaining Earl is officer material (9)
12 Good opportunity for curry (5)
13 Take time off to destroy footwear (5)
15 Criminal is paroled, creating split into opposing camps (9)
18 Looking like egg sandwiches before start of repast? One will gorge (9)
19 They say it's how to make 3 27 measure once (5)
20 Leading judge retires, acquiring humble place for Violet? (9)
21 Something boring about most of sport? That's terrible (5)
22 Praise God for one younger in charge (9)
23 A phoney journalist is embarrassed (7)
24 Hefty volume from writer probing sumo wrestling (7)

DOWN
1 A requirement for the pure beginners? (7)
2 Board assumes different role – that’s quite good (9)
3 Sound check? No time, love (5)
4 Leading judge retires, acquiring humble place for Violet? (9)
5 Loan by state secures river vessel (9)
6 Act audaciously and see if the dress fits? (3,2,2)
7 Stain, tarnish – that covers it (5)
8 A phoney journalist is embarrassed (7)
14 Live with outlook said to create happiness (9)
15 Scratch head in amazement, enthralled by Laurel? (5)
16 Hefty volume from writer probing sumo wrestling (7)
17 I make defective wheels for US city (5)
18 Light aircraft with no wings? It flies (7)
20 They say it’s how to make 3 27 measure once (5)
21 Treated an allergy affecting part of the throat (9)
22 Nothing should stop fair contest (5)
23 Supporter is dashed right – Jana is extremely sexy (9)
24 Act audaciously and see if the dress fits? (3,2,2)
25 A phoney journalist is embarrassed (7)
26 Stain, tarnish – that covers it (5)
27 Filling sink (in position), wipe out pan (7)
28 Light aircraft with no wings? It flies (7)

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JOTTER PAD

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A L V E U C E I
S C A M S A M U E L C O L T
H T B T P L O E
S E S A M E E T O N M E S S
T R L T P I
M E N I S C U S O M A N
M E T S S
L A M P I N A S E N S E
M A W L N A
P O R T R A I T S T I F L E
R I R S E M E
B O N E S H A K E R P E R M
S N O I T E N
P O E T L O N G F E L L O W