CROSSWORD
No. 15,518 Set by BRADMAN

ACROSS
1 American could be someone arriving at JFK by Virgin (10)
7 Enchanted Liberal – just a bit smooth-tongued (4)
9 The old woman backing firm in an unhealthy state (4)
10 Sight least awful or most awful? (10)
11 Intended to join female at the match? (6)
12 Neglect sees maiden maybe left with nothing, all right? (8)
13 Socialist took steps, being blue-pencilled? (8)
15 Dear French instructor spilling drink (4)
17 Relation called, last character to come forward (4)
19 Wind first thing in the morning? Set to swirl in (8)
20 Hesitation about open country (8)
22 Resolutions about a hospital in Asian city (6)
25 Returning agent gets a bit of money – time for share of profits? (10)
26 Inventor making contribution to security in university (4)
27 Push only half the things made for sale (4)
28 Restaurant serving rubbish is by southern lake (10)

DOWN
2 A notice about poison (7)
3 Long time before start of night (5)
4 Great tie, unusually decorative item (8)
5 Maybe one could actually sell ice to an Eskimo! (7,8)
6 Hill going up given X – bad! (6)
7 Lake surrounded by cunning ornamental borders (9)
8 Heron is flying away from the water (7)
14 Daughter needs to put a bit of weight on, woman at first declared (9)
16 Church books badly produced with staplers (8)
18 Wild animal getting eggs on grass turned over (3,4)
20 Alluring female terribly rebellious, putting off characters in bus (7)
21 Scheme artist set up in flat (6)
24 Astrophysicist gives indication of unknown quantity in space (5)

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ASSISTANCE  KING
RETRO  NO
MONDEGREEN TIFF
YDEIST TO SPEAR CARRIER
TSELLEAA
TREAT MAIN INTER
NOCSDNITI
WORTH CROSSWORD
HYAEPPNE
ILLUSTRATION
SIETRTFB
TONETARANTELLA
LETIMEOR
EASY SNAP DRAGON