## ACROSS

## 1 Those on a trip left inn (6)

4 Tiny creatures a great deal east of wood (8)
9 Dope? One's stoned! (5)
10 Tease about porker's ultimate fried food (9)
11 You might say, one's wanting a coat (7)
12 Country where British weather fine in the end (7)
13 Basic building dropped (4)
14 Blokes holding tin back - for engagement rings? (8)
17 Cooking liquid in a dish, initially, horse eating it? (8)
19 Walk into bunker, tumbling backwards (4)
22 Novel with Manx cat on fiddle (7)
24 Sign featuring vehicles, not a hundred - but eight, perhaps? (7)
25 Nutcase or nuts for paramour (9)
26 Five filling single crack (5)
27 Danger signal altered, switched after end of danger $(3,5)$
28 Hairy in the extreme, woman in front of a train endlessly getting cross (6)

## DOWN

1 Futile as a frog in a French kitchen stuffed with first of escargots? (8)
2 Smetana has a rum, score appearing disastrous $(4,5)$
3 You feel loveless, unfortunately, seeing someone beautiful (6)
5 Examine - or peep cryptically?
(4,2,3,4)
6 Gear that's sensational, including tank-top (7)
7 Piece together? (5)
8 Born then died, one lost as required (6)
10 Opener carries bat (not bowled), Zimbabwe's number two run out (7-6)
15 Breakfast chef's bike? (9)
16 Girl kidnapping family, a daughter proving rebellious type (8)
18 Reading, large town not entirely welcomed by one side of Madrid (7)

20 A stiff drink - or two, right? (6)
21 Horrible bear, by the sound of it (6)
23 Sure to make a leap (5)


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