

ACROSS

- 7 Jolly party for vegetarians? (9)
 8 Quiet massage behind the bush (5)
 10 Odd relation from China, perhaps (8)
 11 Declare at cricket match (6)
 12 Good man has a right to play leading role (4)
 13 Hoped sir could get into shape (8)
 15 Finish with terribly sore back (7)
 17 Calm when bill found in the dish (7)
 20 Running out of time – quick (8)
 22 Good for gibbon to yawn (4)
 25 Horrified at hag's transformation (6)
 26 Got into a bed unsteadily (8)
 27 Sign up for Loren broadcast (5)
 28 Strangely clear it is life-like (9)

DOWN

- 1 Pick up king, then knight (5)
 2 Create popular outlet (6)
 3 Achievements round river are special attractions (8)
 4 No good advice to the wasteful consumer (7)
 5 Grand speaking to richer assembly (8)
 6 City limits unfashionable women's clothing (9)
 9 City hospital after strike (4)
 14 Graceless in a gentle fashion (9)
 16 One handling stage drama in front of hill (8)
 18 Drink affected Gill and Thea (5,3)

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