## ACROSS

9 Appetiser turned into tapas (9)
10 Oklahoma city that's one day away? (5)
11 Landscape with railway on painted background (7)
12 Large company stocking Italian wine? Credit cards required (7)
13 Most wobbly smile's fit to burst (9)
16 Fear father about to be put inside (5)
17 Brief success of flambé cookery? $(5,2,3,3)$
20 Spread glue (5)
21 Sorting out a private showing (9)
24 Car tour arranged for custodian (7)
25 That woman will nearly draw dog (7)
27 Carries bags (5)
28 Zealot is cross, surrounded by swarming termites (9)

## DOWN

1 Catholic service providing range (6)
2 Small yet troublesome inflammation (4)
3 Increase collections, causes distress (6)
4 Bit scary even, goodness me! (1,3)
5 One hundred order favourite object or rival (10)
6 Sit on sled and dart off (8)
7 Beautiful people shine after midnight (10)
8 Pass on knowledge about waterfall? (7)
14 Show is all utter rubbish (10)
15 English girl with sign for envoys (10)
18 Point to small exam as the most pleasant (8)

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19 Cloudiness of a copy, it is damaged (7)
22 Viewer permitted a loophole (6)
23 Got the shakes in run-down part of town (6)
25 Place where view talked about (4)
26 Group patriotically included (4)

