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ACROSS

- 1 Retired adult and son leave dry region of WA (6,6)
 8 Guys finally get hold of barber (5) *SHAVE?*
 10 One on drug in bar is a very good listener (6,3)
 11 Get at one dressed in brown (6)
 12 Added software program finished (8)
 13 Religious festival was ultimately accepted by consumer (6)
 15 Pure metal used in piano spring (8)
 18 Television program could be small potatoes and how! (4,4)
 18 One half of beef marinated in whisky is a prime cut (3,3)
 21 Truces broken by an old Italian (8)
 23 Quickly grab tin with a new seal (4,2)
 26 A shared drink of water brewed in centre of Victoria (3,3,3)
 27 Characters from furniture van kindly put back jack (5)
 28 Central location organised special telephones (5,7)

DOWN

- 1 Carry a child close to farming property (7)
 2 Fine gold pledged in wager (5)
 3 Jokes about E-boats? (3-6)
 4 Foundation retrieved patient's final financial obligation (4)
 5 Small rabbits, for instance, people sighted in stores (8)
 6 Extract of myrrh in exotic European flower (5)
 7 He arranged deal in newspaper section (8)
 8 Newlywed keeping back to gathering is cross (6)
 14 Air was originally used in last flight (8) *STARBOARD?*
 16 Sail to hold fast in wind, right? (9)
 17 Loving matron treated one with cold (8)
 18 He's taking the place of one in city that's congested (6)
 20 Quick to speak (7)
 22 Bobbin coils around (5)
 24 Noticeable sound coming from aircraft (5) *PLAIN/PLANE*
 25 Children slip away from broadcast, possibly (4)

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