ACROSS
1 Express extreme anger with a female, Italian, after short fling (5,1,3)
6 Refill tankard about finished (3,2)
9 Well-liked university in London area (7)
10 Outing may produce pay dirt (3,4)
11 Firm in time of difficulty is lacking power (5)
12 The man told about one held back (9)
14 What sounds like bent grass? (3)
15 Particular action of knight, say, brought in of necessity (11)
17 A seabird shown in advertisement in lift (11)
19 The total, presumably? Only part (3)
20 Thus, a popular time for Coronation Street, for example (4,5)
22 Off the cuff remark from a Liberal Democrat inside (2-3)
24 See unit converted, forming . . . . a unit! (2,5)
26 Lose heart, as pride injured (7)
28 Robin arrested, stupidly pinching book (9)

DOWN
1 Best chapter about current subject (5)
2 Theatrical company to mount repeat performance (7)
3 Background? Western tabloid includes everything! (9)
4 Outcry involving the Royal Marines, in addition (11)
5 Boy, extremely drunk, was removed (3)
6 Rendezvous with lover in Coventry Street (5)
7 Play on words impressing educated girl, a moralist (7)
8 Fanciful hope conveyed about a male (4,5)
13 Style of writing supported by newspaper chief needing more staff (5-6)
14 Presses so fervently to regain ownership (9)
16 Duck from Grasmere cooked around noon (9)
18 Passage from North and South in characteristic setting (7)
19 Concubine some woman at Lusaka upset (7)
21 Working on island on tear-jerker? (5)
23 Feel sure about sapper's cap (5)
25 Miscalculate, ending in mate with bishop (3)

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