CROSSWORD
No. 15,923 Set by GAFF

A birthday puzzle

ACROSS
1 Circuitry contains item definitely fading (9)
6 Injures with terrible thrust, removing head (5)
9 With new Conservative leader, easier to obscure things (9)
10 What barman calls sound flavour (5)
11 Snaked around works (6)
12 Onion key ring and shirt (8)
14 Trace source of government material (5)
16 Got the better of new pee and pound (3-5)
19 Apple grower leads rush to split post (3-5)
20 Part out on a limb having harmony (5)
22 Believing first team has sport injury (8)
24 Tip on lack of sleep (3,3)
27 Left warrant in study (5)
28 Wags loth to be upset with a cashmere producer (5,4)
29 Criminal repeatedly employing erroneous defence leads to conviction (5)
30 Stopped drinking broth containing unusual breed (7,2)

DOWN
1 Remains at scene of accident (8)
2 Find time to wander (5)
3 Improves sweetheart, husbands and boyfriends (9)
4 Murdoch maybe used to control pupil (4)
5 Uncomprehending of what teddy bears used to be (6-4)
6 Create an opening (5)
7 Bog plant for nearly-new arrangement (5,4)
8 Protection provided by serious heat haze (6)
13 High bridge features country name surrounded by flowers (5,5)
15 Protect rear end from nasty ulceration (9)
17 Steamy novel? (3,6)
18 Congratulations! Singer lifts stomach and area above face (5,3)
21 Type of rabbit Alice hides (6)
23 Adjusted a lot of dentures (5)
25 Poet eats duck egg (5)
26 Habit of soaring crow (4)