ACROSS
1 Compound of gas and metal keeping surprisingly dry in leather case (7)
5 Source of inspiration when retired was puzzling (7)
9 Willing to give cash (5)
10 One that fires those fixing faulty 10A plugs (6,3)
11 Most magnificent ties sported by otherwise droll characters (9)
12 Where short river meets long one outside the city? (5)
13, 15 Bid to see rear on model through moving sunroof (4,2-6)
18, 19 Male singer, possibly 8 or 20, gets the bird (8,4)
22 Gas ring area (5)
24 Toothless Native American going crazy in Texan city after losing mother (9)
26 Some people into alternative technology – Gaff, for one? (9)
27 Theme word Parisian provided (5)
28 Understand sign incorporating a plan (7)
29 Smartly-dressed teacher that's qualified to make changes to a paper? (7)

DOWN
1, 20 Boy band member with former No 1's in England and Scotland (6,6)
2 Hearing very bad tail's got the runs (9)
3 Extremely dodgy content in bad piece of poetry (5)
4 Leading lady entertains a novelist – one from Boston, or Beijing? (9)
5 Crow circling small vessel (5)
6 Limo drunk used for delivery job (4,5)
7 Missing daughter: a drug's involved, possibly LSD (5)
8, 21 I'd to fall down when playing former actor (6,6)
14 Journalist at the Sun, say, after first appearance of Ronnie Barker (3,6)
16 Metal workers can mostly forge British coin? Not any more (9)
17 Gambled, taking off cap and stole (9)
20 See 1
21 See 8
23 President's regular use of bomb has me slightly annoyed (5)
24 A timber perpendicular to ship's length (5)
25 Briefly disband part of motorcade (M23) (5)

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