All the across solutions are thematic and lack thematic definition

ACROSS
1 Writing round the border (8)
5 Unrestrained number left (6)
9 Huns leaving White Russian bewildered (8)
10 Caught you and me in the act? No! (6)
12 Partners playing bridge in river (5)
13 New history about the Football Association. Quite the opposite (9)
14 Oddly, they answer to Liberal leader (6)
16 Got up after meal (3,4)
19 Individual taking new name first (7)
21 Dog's heart. Certainly (6)
23 Daughter vetted on-line ad (9)
25 Blue and golden odd bits (5)
26 Old king and offspring reported (6)
27 If returned without hesitation to party member (8)
28 Steamroller dismantled, metal components thrown out (6)
29 Renegotiated Hall's fee (8)

DOWN
1 Birds taking exercise with humorists (6)
2 Elected because half were fake (9)
3 Eyes bigger than stomach, missing starter to get thin (5)
4 Capable Silk led astray. Corrupted, nothing less (7)
6 No matter where and how you pack – whatever! (2,3,4)
7 Lock for a door left at church (5)
8 Note declares they have a will (8)
11 Worry about appearing in here? (4)
15 High priest, derided endlessly about result (9)
17 Kitchener may have had a hand in this (4,5)
18 Timeless indicators of crying that may relieve any listener (8)
20 Muslim ruler mentioned in the Mirror (4)
21 Unemployable boffin regularly on river (2,2,3)
22 Horticulturist's literary counterpart (6)
24 More pleasant at French city with a drop of red (5)
25 Short letter for Fritz (5)

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DRESSAGE LACTSUP
U M T R B O I R
R I P T I D E R O M A N C E
E L N E E E I G T
S T O C K N O A C C O U N T
S Y B C T L I
F O U R T H E S T A T E
I C M O I U R R
S H O W B U S I N E S S
L N S G T C P
A B S T R A C T S A B H O R
N T E O P I A A
D E A D E N D A M N E S T Y
E N V E C E T E
R A T H E R H E A D G E A R