CROSSWORD
No. 15,738 Set by MUDD

ACROSS
1 Off-piste, fast – and deadly (9)
6 Retired horse touring southern Iraqi city (5)
9 Bottle, the transmitter of a message (5)
10 Difficulty seeing English tutor, certainly previously (9)
11 Heart-breaking period in a small measure (10)
12 Name between setter and solver in list (4)
14 One making a record in seedy joint, did we hear? (7)
15 Extraordinary thing, vehicle reversing into the distance (7)
17 Inside container, fire down below producing resin (7)
19 Something witty, joke ultimately on farm animals (7)
20 Part read in Riot Act – just a bit (4)
22 Am I able to lie back with clergyman? That's wrong! (10)
25 Part of a loudspeaker, the underdog? (9)
26 Global plans in the end, cut (5)
27 Private location hosting races, a game of chance (5)
28 Port dreamt about on bunk (9)

DOWN
1 Image encapsulating an uncontrolled, anxious state (5)
2 Loss having replaced her gains with investment of a grand (9)
3 Unqualified man ultimately involved in big lie, doubly unsettled (10)
4 Mountain the most difficult, if peak reached? (7)
5 The raw material required, heading for majority rule (7)
6 Bottom, on the other hand, top of tree (4)
7 Nation, say (5)
8 A sundae ordered in the morning, enough to make you sick? (2,7)
13 Craftsmanship taken over a clue, it turning out as eloquent (10)
14 Grey bags in several shades, each starting out as sacking (9)
16 Scoundrel followed, getting cut off (9)
18 Tree to discuss, one to cut through (7)
19 Some work from goalkeeper finally inspired by save (7)
21 Disputed territory lay south of Thai borders (5)
23 Surrey town where rising moon eclipses sun at first (5)
24 Cracked engine (4)

Solution 15,737

P I P I T CIGARETTE
R R I O A E W T
I D E N T I C A L F A I T H
E L H T L E N E
S I A M E S E A E R O S O L
T T A N E R
D I S C O U N T E N C E
T S O D A D
H U M A N G U I N E A P I G
O O J P I L L S
M I L F O I L G O T O P O T
P A I I G E U A
S C R A N F R A T E R N A L
O U E T R N C K
N O M A D I S E D Y A H O O