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Three symmetrically-placed across lines pose a question. Your task is to answer it.

Across

- 1** Towers over policeman restraining conflict by force (6)
- 5** Muscle-bound Mark decides not to take part (8)
- 9** Domestic aid in appalling conditions cut off quietly (4,4)
- 10** Back four can be sufficient to get things done (6)
- 11** Solid month, 23 leaving Australia behind and not coming back (10)
- 14** Celebrated dynasty (4)
- 15** Sound broadcast one likely to succeed (4)
- 16** Anger follows lifeless tie (4,4)
- 19** Result of fight possibly sees devoted servant having to live outside (5,3)
- 20** Bugs fight back (4)
- 22** Malfunctioning computer left in lobby (4)
- 24** Disinclined to join in action as I break with Labour leader (10)
- 25** At Lourdes, this person possibly clubs religious devotee (6)
- 26** Old fight about dry dish (8)

- 28** Extra bit to gladden Dumas's heart (8)
 - 29** Hit back at commercial enterprise closing in March (6)
- Down**
- 2** What bread can be, but probably isn't (9)
 - 3** Eggs right round Spain (3)
 - 4** Country our people study after completing applications (6)
 - 5** Makeover missing vicar's current measurement (3)

- 6** Somewhere in Georgia, leading group in hospital express surprise (8)
- 7** Teaches Latin badly, lacking lecturer's number (11)
- 8** Stocking some vinyl once (5)
- 12** Curtail urge to disrupt country pursuit (11)
- 13** Monkey coming in not long ago worth damn all in the US (3,4)
- 17** Stopped after snake covered the road (9)

- 18** Occupied before getting nurse around (8)
- 21** Probably in bed when former PM got up (6)
- 23** American chief getting up (5)
- 26** A measure of resistance to old queen (3)
- 27** Queen gets Republican to make a mistake (3)

