Poppins Across The Pond

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The sequel we are seeing on this year's Yuletide film expedition has at least one thing in common with the original: an American taking an English role. In this puzzle:

(1) Ten clues' answers must be entered with an English individual (whose great-grandfather is mentioned in the original film) displaced to the end by an item from this country.

(2) In each of the other twenty clues, one item from (1) must be removed before solving; two (2) clues, one Across and one Down, will correspond to each (1) clue. (These may help resolve ambiguities about what items are used in (1).)

Write the first and last letter of each (1) clue next to its corresponding Across and Down (2) clue respectively. Then next to each Across or Down (1) clue write the first or last letter (respectively) of its corresponding Across or Down (2) clue (respectively). In clue order, the letters near the Across clues will spell out what this Yuletide has become, and the letters near the Down clues will describe it further.

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Now, next to each Across or Down (1) clue write the last or first letter (respectively) of its corresponding Down or Across (2) clue (respectively). In clue order, the new letters near the Across (1) clues and Down (2) clues, will illustrate one more American replacement (broader in scope), involving an English character and American actor, also shown on the big screen today.

ACROSS

- 1. Saucy gym rat, outwardly
- 5. Runs around the Roman touching Publius's skinks
- 7. Upended nook one essentially covered with wild, edible tree bark
- 10. Mostly, nerd obstructing it is motionless
- 12. Round up a couple of Himalayan snakes
- 14. Term that follows *Elat* to mean "and other people from A-52"
- 15. Shifted tonsil to accommodate English generals and admirals (*hyph.*)
- 19. That female doctor brought back bit of pinot
- 20. Before claiming one's striate near Britain
- 22. Author from the east polluted knights and leaders
- 25. Cry out "Start to get a place to rest"
- 26. Saharan trained steed around start of Raj
- 27. Encompassing red, festive hair color of wielder
- 28. Meal provider and camper hugged by sealer

DOWN

- 1. In accordance with a related male individual
- 2. Luna's novella What The Radius Is Near
- 3. Substitute for teaks is neat? Strange
- 4. Guiltlessly retreating rock creatures of which Tolkien's tales tell
- 5. Allow adult near Egyptian deity and tomb raider Croft
- 6. A sprite or pixie evacuated Rhode Island
- 8. G-man Eliot, when fined by Troy, gets cozy
- 9. Humorist Brooks captures rare black bird of Eurasia
- 11. Ranch hand here embracing Dutch radical
- 13. Encountered reruns about wiring systems the T is akin to
- 16. Avian revolution presented in speech
- 17. Scent of hawk captivating beginner in Rimini
- 18. You and I superficially reinvent an archaic form of the copula
- 21. Site where one may vend a creature known for its stoking to the porcine Cato?
- 23. Trap the hiking mackerel initially at the front of etui
- 24. Selenium and ruthenium will be dryly drab