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Easy cryptic crossword #3

SOLUTION

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S	I	G	N			U	S	E	S
A		R					A		O
G	R	E	E	N			R	E	D
E		N					T		A
	R	A	I	N	B	O	W		
T		D					R		F
O	B	I			P	R	I	D	E
O		N					A		T
L	E	E	K			B	L	U	E

ACROSS

- Returned [reversal indicator] soldier's [G]'S name [N] **could be Leo** (4) = SIGN
- After flipping [reversal indicator] corpse, surgeon internally [hidden indicator] **operates** (4) = USES
- Broccoli, for example, [double definitions] is an 8-across ingredient (5) = GREEN
- Studied [READ] without a **component of 8-across** (3) = RED
- Warn 11-across about [anagram indicator] **meteorological phenomenon** (7) = RAINBOW
- Robin removes skirts [deletion indicator] and **Japanese sash** (3) = OBI
- Several lions** crush [anagram indicator] headless [delete 'head'] spider (5) = PRIDE
- Vegetable** gives energy [E] to ailing [anagram indicator] elk (4) = LEEK
- Sad [double definitions] part of 8-across (4) = BLUE

DOWN

- Wise person** keeps a gerbil concealed [hidden indicator] (4) = SAGE
- 6-across and I concocted [anagram indicator] **French syrup** (9) = GRENADINE
- Adjective*: regarding, primarily, [select first letters, A+R] tailors/ [anagram indicator] tailoring! (9) [lit, the whole clue is the definition] = SARTORIAL
- Very [SO] occasionally [alternate letters indicator] deal **coke, perhaps?** (4) = SODA
- Rob's upright [reversal indicator] **instrument** (4) = TOOL
- Fellow [F] starts [selection of first letters] enjoying the Edinburgh **Festival** (4) = FETE