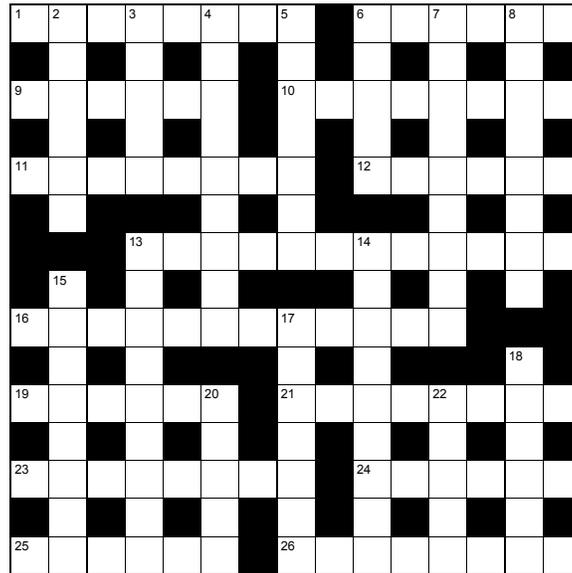


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### ACROSS

- 1 One keeps characters apart when depressed (5-3)
- 6 Glaring error in his rag (6)
- 9 Son gets conned, say – that’s harsh (6)
- 10 Courtesy shown by Greek character to girl by railway (8)
- 11 Elected party fast becomes lazy (8)
- 12 Jack has to fetch Mark (6)
- 13 Determined bachelor paid attention (6-6)
- 16 Unexpectedly unable to get Sky? (3,2,3,4)
- 19 Company fellow is powerful (6)
- 21 Cut price record released around start of November (8)
- 23 Inexperienced worker ruined green bin (8)
- 24 Some mathematicians we reckon will provide the solution (6)
- 25 Seize east wing (6)
- 26 Still current late in the day (8)

### DOWN

- 2 Powerful omen seer ultimately missed (6)
- 3 Feature old material (5)
- 4 Fathead identifies tree (9)
- 5 Reading affects literacy mostly (7)
- 6 Good material for dressing flash (5)
- 7 Again sort out bottom oven (9)
- 8 Thus Catholic monarch doubled as enchanter (8)
- 13 Herons lie scattered by the coast (9)
- 14 Married sort’s given fish and a soft drink (4-5)
- 15 Swede perhaps wants purée...no, a stew (8)
- 17 Second goal gets Rose excited (7)
- 18 Really popular act (6)
- 20 Stretched for time (5)
- 22 Notes frenzied attack (5)

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SOLUTION

1	S	2	P	A	3	C	E	4	B	A	5	R		6	G	A	7	R	I	8	S	H
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ACROSS

1 space-bar. 6 garish. 9 strict. 10 chivalry. 11 indolent. 12 target. 13 single-minded. 16 out of the blue. 19 cogent. 21 discount. 23 beginner. 24 answer. 25 annexe. 26 eventide.

## DOWN

2 potent. 3 chino. 4 butternut. 5 recital. 6 glint. 7 rearrange. 8 sorcerer. 13 shoreline. 14 milk-shake. 15 European. 17 endorse. 18 indeed. 20 tense. 22 onset.