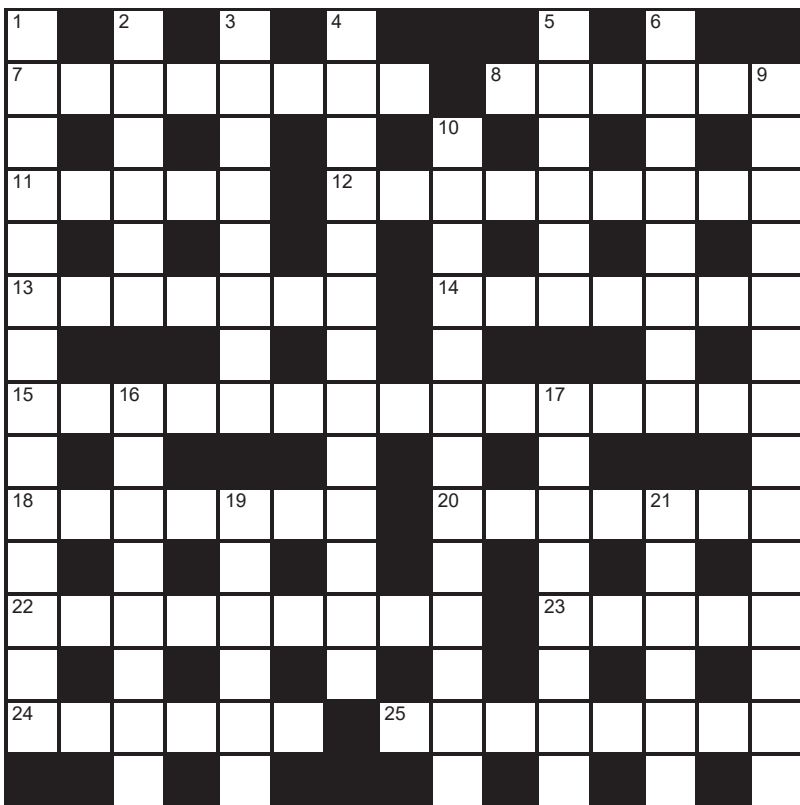


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ACROSS

- 7 One sister and one boy together (2,6)
 8 Winter's ending, nothing stopping return of insects — spring back! (6)
 11 Sample last of paintings framed by patron of the arts (5)
 12 Brilliant guide, Jack goes past prickly thorns (5,4)
 13 Stop talking, as prepared for divorce? (4,3)
 14 Overlie grotesque, outstanding art? (7)
 15 When Panama falls quickly? (2,3,4,2,1,3)
 18 Criminals good with taxes (7)
 20 Job held by bitter missionary (7)
 22 Acorn and nut lost, left in the dark (9)
 23 Holiday accommodation — India next? (5)
 24 Pass first of exams before blunder (6)
 25 Very old guru breathing in air (5,3)

DOWN

- 1 Light blue line on clean cake (8,6)
 2 Barking hounds bay? (6)
 3 Uninteresting building is remote (8)
 4 Very reasonable, when off to choir practice? (5,3,1,4)
 5 All the bombs — are so? (6)
 6 Ruby celebrated throwing male attire into river (8)
 9 New tiled roof with shelf for book (4,2,3,5)
 10 Husband into creation of a rapper, best artist (3-10)
 16 Make taco for Judas? (8)
 17 Effervescent pond life absorbing light (8)
 19 Obvious fact is concealed by inadequate US president (6)
 21 Artist, giant touring Italy (6)

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