

FT Crossword: Weekend Magazine number 657

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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

1. Traditional calculating frame  
(6)
5. Southern Spanish resort (8)
9. Shrewdly (8)
10. Natural fertiliser (6)
11. Flatfish (8)
12. Not present (6)
13. Empowering (8)
15. Church service (4)
17. Used to be (4)
19. More powerful (8)
21. Potassium compound (6)
22. Skill, talent (8)
23. Strolled (6)
24. Tied result (4, 4)
25. Voting time (8)
26. Accounts book (6)

Solution 656

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DOWN

2. Herb one gets around large church (8)
3. Falsely accuse hidden American groups of voters (8)
4. Firm chopped dates for time without food (9)
5. Might get type of examination of a town’s boss (7)
6. Act as a nationalist leader and win seat (7)
7. Los Angeles with little hesitation endlessly devoured award winner (8)
8. Wild rapture over movie’s final opening (8)
14. Evening flight – land mostly badly (9)
15. Lose confused claims surrounding parking fine, ultimately (8)
16. Fitting formal outfit with black fur, but not the top bit (8)
17. We had included gag that’s pathetic (8)
18. Faulty gear stick at first encompassing a driver’s anger (4, 4)
19. Dodgy tight-knit group surrounds us quietly (7)
20. Working with one Mafia boss at length (2, 3, 2)