ACROSS

- **3** Golf expert (3)
- 7 Acid neutraliser (6)
- 8 Allow, authorise (6)
- 9 Scribbles on walls (8)
- **10** Actors in a play or film (4)
- **11** Epoch (6)
- 12 Sir Isaac ____, physicist (6)
- **15** Gruesome (6)
- **18** Hypnotic state (6)
- 20 Adam's second son (4)
- 22 Paraffin oil (8)
- 23 Cause loss of hearing (6)
- 24 Jotting down (6)
- **25** Old joke (3)

DOWN

- 1 Arthur C ____, sci-fi writer (6)
- 2 Short-lived insects (8)
- 3 Showed compassion for (6)
- 4 Selection (6)
- **5** ____ Ambler, classic thriller writer (4)
- 6 Debacle (6)
- 11 Small breed of dog (3)
- 13 Unspecified people or things (8)
- 14 Maiden name indicator (3)
- **16** Burglar (6)
- 17 Harnessing together (oxen) (6)
- **18** Enervating (6)
- **19** Dog-like (6)
- 21 Space under a roof (4)

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