

**ACROSS**

- 1 Failure to pay one's debts (7)
- 5 Car engine (5)
- 8 Courtroom 'elsewhere' plea (5)
- 9 Give responsibility for (7)
- 10 Baked vegetarian dish (3,4)
- 11 Word of greeting (5)
- 12 Carry on, continue (6)
- 14 Grammatical sex (6)
- 18 Energy (5)
- 20 Sound of a bird (7)
- 22 Take (by force) (7)
- 23 Slum dwelling (5)
- 24 Trusty, faithful (5)
- 25 Liberate (3,4)

**DOWN**

- 1 Crockery rack (7)
- 2 Pass out, swoon (5)
- 3 Soldier's clothes (7)
- 4 Start a golf game (3,3)
- 5 Football game (5)
- 6 Ruffled (hair) (7)
- 7 Proportion (5)
- 13 Bitty (7)
- 15 Descriptive phrase (7)
- 16 Nauseate, disgust (7)
- 17 Entry (6)
- 18 Noisy, outspoken (5)
- 19 Level (5)
- 21 Large watercourse (5)

