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1 T	E	N	2 D	E	R	3 S	■	4 W	A	L	5 L	I	E	6 S
A	■	■	I	■	■	C	■	A	■	■	A	■	■	L
C	■	7 M	E	A	N	I	N	G	L	E	S	8 S	■	E
9 H	O	O	T	■	■	■	O	■	E	■	■	10 T	H	E	E
Y	■	N	■	11 T	A	N	12 T	R	U	13 M	■	E	■	P
14 C	A	I	R	O	■	■	I	■	■	15 A	L	L	O	W
A	■	K	■	16 P	O	17 L	E	18 C	A	T	■	L	■	A
19 R	U	E	20 D	■	■	I	■	L	■	■	21 F	E	E	L
D	■	22 R	E	V	O	L	T	I	N	G	L	Y	■	K
I	■	■	A	■	■	L	■	M	■	■	A	■	■	E
23 A	P	P	R	O	V	E	■	24 B	U	N	G	L	E	R

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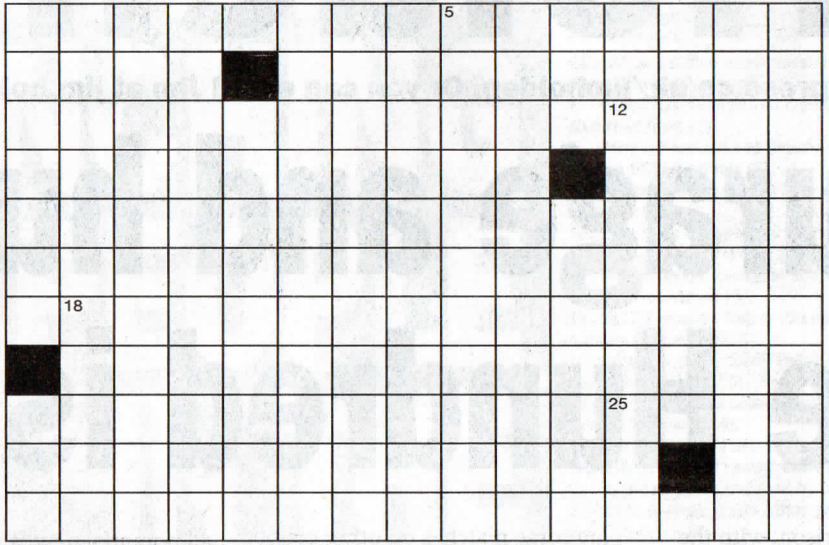

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ACROSS

1 Views around pass etc.
5 Blue flower on display
9 Loud tune pretty good
10 Compact disc has slipped around
12 Abstainer circling old words
13 Each one contains pastry
14 Queen - a band making mistakes
16 Long-time drinker's last drink
17 Smooth interior of pale shoe
20 Determined, like a camper?
23 Hero doing nothing for listeners
24 Fish put back to front in time
25 Confident Parisian's on point
26 'City of Gold' left with nothing
27 Plantations, say, in El Salvador

DOWN

2 Scallywag cutting seafood
3 Creepy tree's behind a lake
4 Decorated girl sounded thrilled!
6 Flyers shift capital (rupees)
7 Supply put away in empty cellar...
8 ...nothing to do with a statesman
11 'Least slim' line goes against claims you lost weight
13 Imbecile, when saving face
15 Acquired energy doesn't last
18 Snake put in front of elk with longer tail
19 Model taking part (Greek character)
21 City supporting upset inventor
22 Harbour overrun by ships expecting openings

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