

**ACROSS**

- 1 Bemoan officer getting the last word in (6)  
 5 Philosophical fashion designer (8)  
 9 Stand with dentist, heartlessly wearing ring (8)  
 10 A child has small presents (6)  
 11 Officers burnt coal, say, in error (12)  
 13 Responsibility of students (4)  
 14 Crooks in House elected by us, ultimately (8)  
 17 Misfortune caused by cooking radish in sauce (8)  
 18 A prisoner returns for party (4)  
 20 Dialects soon broken down (12)  
 23 Hurt mother, gamble endlessly (6)  
 24 Great duo badly offended (8)  
 25 Plane is not crashing in ditch (8)  
 26 Quickly stop in mid-river (6)

**DOWN**

- 2 Old artist not entirely upset (4)  
 3 Monarch cuts tax; Democrat is worried (9)  
 4 Carrying child in back of Mustang (6)  
 5 Who, perhaps, may be tortured over routine plan (8,7)  
 6 Restraint shown by group around high table (4,4)  
 7 Object of quest - partially nationalising railways (5)  
 8 Permanently lying under ground (10)  
 12 Discredit trendy woman I see (10)  
 15 Collect building material (9)  
 16 100 people who pursue rabbits (8)  
 19 China sent round greatest computer (6)  
 21 Seaside area beset by overheads (5)  
 22 Expert with extremely delicate paper (4)

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