

ACROSS

- 1 Parking for a short time in Scotland involved the opposite of 17dn (4,4)
 5 Reportedly inferior food in Scotland (6)
 9 Reply in person surprisingly, outwardly sincere (8)
 10 Where patient may be entering (6)
 11 After second winter in Paris, writer appeared cold (8)
 12 Depression caused by charge when in credit (6)
 14 Bring down the sardine after cooking (10)
 18 Following agreement, admits Queen's half-cut (10)
 22 In America, club acquires old vessels (1-5)
 23 Staff accepting it after compiler's rude (8)
 24 Pet, perhaps, kept by woman I maligned (6)
 25 TV presenter embraced by single extra (8)
 26 English student just making team... (6)
 27 ...at home, looked after fiancé (8)

DOWN

- 1 Father about to enter church in the shade (6)
 2 Story about donkey and dog (6)
 3 Having scarf on finally makes one hot (6)
 4 I mess about when drunk or sober (10)
 6 Peculiar woman left, following Jack (8)
 7 Dog eating rubbish essay (8)
 8 Outside old city, close stable (8)
 13 Casually phone guys about event (10)
 15 Faithful and mostly brilliant cleric (8)
 16 One meets men into dancing PDQ (2,2,4)

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- 17 Pair of Scots in lift - a torrid situation (4,4)
 19 Give fellow cattle regularly (6)
 20 Some of them in Teddington must be wealthy (6)
 21 Repaired object in sea (6)