ACROSS

- **7** Short bit of potato not for Italian wine (7)
- 8 Penny has a longing for style (7)
- 10 Without it hot air could become frost (4)
- 11 Shrewd as real pundit can be (10)
- 12 Itemise points, so pay attention (6)
- 13 New recruits get shower in English river (8)
- 15 Laundry equipment removes splotches, eg (7,4)
- 19 Work out if officer is onto potential unrest (8)
- 21 Bird munched morsel (6)
- 22 Strange chant: 'hotel is not locked' (2,3,5)
- 24 Pay not beginning for a time (4)
- 25 In favour of desire to stretch (7)
- 26 New clue, try 'viciousness' (7)

DOWN

- 1 Long-lasting diary minus the French (7)
- 2 Buns possibly as slitherly when baked? (10)
- 3 Set point irregularity hurry up! (4,2,2)
- 4 River time recorder (6)
- 5 Question read out for Scottish engineer (4)
- 6 Fleeced getting organ into outbuilding (7)
- 9 Retribution disturbs St Jude's rest (4,7)
- 14 Bad dreams with dark horses (10)



- 16 Those who throw jugs (8)
- 17 Establish railway ironworks (7)
- 18 Gently agitate petite laboratory tube (7)
- 20 Having the power to make official decision (6)
- 23 Man will shortly find Hades (4)