

## ACROSS

- 1 Bulge (4)
- 3 Acolytes (8)
- 9 At the crease in cricket (7)
- 10 Popular card game (5)
- 11 Pastoral (5)
- 12 Expedition (6)
- 14 Grape spirit (6)
- 15 Tight-fitting bodice (6)
- 18 Chirping insect (6)
- 20 Open to view (5)
- 22 Decided by ballot (5)
- 23 Large brown American bear (7)
- 25 Simple wooden flute (8)
- 26 Heraldic insignia (4)

## DOWN

- 1 Research room (3)
- 2 Mercenary (13)
- 4 Small breed of canine (3,3)
- 5 Strengthening rod (5)
- 6 Citrus-fruit juice extractor (5-8)
- 7 Large Hebridean isle (4)
- 8 Holding a rank of the nobility (6)
- 11 Red gem (4)
- 13 Gusto, relish (4)
- 16 Relating to nuclear energy (6)
- 17 Clatter of keys (6)
- 19 Alternative name for the viper (5)
- 21 At any time (4)
- 24 Affirmative reply (3)

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