

## ACROSS

- 1 Hard dry cheese from northern Italy (8)
- 5 Beach's gritty grains (4)
- 9 Leered at (5)
- 10 Maxim (7)
- 11 Thwart (4)
- 12 Take part in a fast seaside sport (5-3)
- 14 Location of the 'Tea Party' during the American Revolution (6)
- 15 Exit a computer system (3,3)
- 18 Pays up (5,3)
- 20 Kept (4)
- 23 Disappointment (3-4)
- 24 Avoid duty (5)
- 25 Frozen white flakes (4)
- 26 Artificial obstructions such as dams (8)

## DOWN

- 1 Definite evidence (5)
- 2 Assemblies (7)
- 3 Backward current (4)
- 4 Seem (6)
- 6 Localities (5)
- 7 Questioning after a completed mission (7)
- 8 Beaten, defeated (4,3)
- 13 Count Leo \_\_\_\_, 19th-century Russian writer (7)
- 14 Mystifies (7)
- 16 Job opportunity (7)
- 17 \_\_ pig, popular pet (6)
- 19 Quotient (5)
- 21 Tries to lose weight (5)
- 22 Consumer or operator (4)

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