

## ACROSS

- 1 Those falsely claiming to be ill (11)  
 8 Noticeable decrease (4-3)  
 9 Much liked (5)  
 11 American crime-fighting organisation (inits) (3)  
 12 Having private facilities (2,5)  
 13 Greek island near Albania (5)  
 14 Painter of *The Fighting Temeraire* (6)  
 16 Method of descending a cliff face (6)  
 19 Italian opera composer (5)  
 21 Less messy form of paint (3-4)  
 23 Part of the week (3)  
 24 Food dressing (5)  
 25 English actor and director 1907-89 (7)  
 26 Evaluating again (11)

## DOWN

- 2 Proclaims (5)  
 3 Venerate (7)  
 4 Social blunders (6)  
 5 Historical object (5)  
 6 Drive backwards (7)  
 7 Words naming attributes of nouns (10)  
 10 Leave your vehicle alongside another (6-4)  
 15 Divert (7)  
 17 Robbers operating in lawless gangs (7)  
 18 No matter who (6)  
 20 Notions (5)  
 22 Occupy the throne (5)

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