

ACROSS

- 1 Be in charge (4,3,5)
- 8 Elder brother of Moses (5)
- 9 Skilful speakers (7)
- 10 Be in a rage (4)
- 11 Rotted, decayed (8)
- 14 Disburse (3,3)
- 15 Rooms in roof spaces (6)
- 17 Landlocked country in South America (8)
- 18 Blunder, slip-up (4)
- 21 Shown (in) (7)
- 23 ___ Stevenson, influential US Democrat of the 1950s (5)
- 24 Discomfiting (12)

DOWN

- 1 Corn husks (5)
- 2 Chief civic dignitary (4,5)
- 3 Sea area north of Humber (4)
- 4 Gradually ate away (6)
- 5 Fragrant blue flower (8)
- 6 Excessively (3)
- 7 Whispered comments (6)
- 12 Common herd (3,6)
- 13 Country west of the Black Sea (8)
- 14 Flounce at the waistline of a blouse (6)
- 16 Cool room used as a meat store (6)
- 19 Ostentatious jewellery (5)
- 20 Route between mountains (4)
- 22 Dress edge (3)

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