

ACROSS

- 1 Rushed (4)
- 3 Talked idly (8)
- 9 Most gentle (7)
- 10 Enforced absence from your country (5)
- 11 Snake with a hooded neck (5)
- 12 Word-perfect, from memory (3,3)
- 14 Crushes (6)
- 15 Broken-limb support (6)
- 18 Discontinue (an order) (6)
- 20 Japanese word used to describe a savoury taste (5)
- 22 Male singing voice (5)
- 23 More destitute (7)
- 25 Appraise again (8)
- 26 Bit of a problem (4)

DOWN

- 1 First name of actor Mr Hanks (3)
- 2 Patriotic song written by Thomas Arne (4,9)
- 4 Preference (6)
- 5 Quiver of arrows (5)
- 6 Relinquishment from state control (13)
- 7 Carries out, accomplishes (4)
- 8 Money for finding lost property (6)
- 11 Gearwheels (4)
- 13 Seamstress' small container (4)
- 16 Stops (6)
- 17 Singer Ms Morissette (6)
- 19 Innermost parts (5)
- 21 Mix together (4)
- 24 Tatter, scrap (3)

