

ACROSS

- 5 English officer about to forcibly enlist (10)
- 7 Catch tail of riderless horse (4)
- 10 Getting plants established is cheering (7)
- 11 Roots it out of dish (7)
- 12 Roughly-guessed value to master, I suspect (9)
- 14 Confuse with funny walk when wife's gone (5)
- 15 Artist tore apart print I fashioned (8,7)
- 18 Refusal of weight unacceptable (3,2)
- 20 Bound closely to drunken noisy fool (5-4)
- 22 English MP meeting queen, or sovereign (7)
- 23 Poetry in Old English to supervise (7)
- 25 Reverse into that futuristic cluster (4)
- 26 Landlord's cry to drunken sot in storage rooms (4,6)

DOWN

- 1 I am station worker, one who buys from abroad (8)
- 2 Cab – put levy on one (4)
- 3 Sign of sadness as predator distressed (8)
- 4 Married it in shifting dune (6)
- 5 Similar writer (13)
- 6 Figure it could be one's finger (5)
- 8 Travellers who run the world? (13)
- 9 Is set, say, for travel writer (8)
- 13 Miser ran about sailors (8)

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- 16 In winter Valerie gets a break (8)
- 17 Metal cask gent's taken out (8)
- 19 To warn in advance, pointless? (3,3)
- 21 Spirit that's good entertainer (5)
- 24 Money roué converted (4)