ACROSS

- 3 Small in number (3)
- 7 Showy flower genus (6)
- 8 Strapped for cash (4,2)
- 9 Page from a computer (8)
- **10** Bound with rope (4)
- 11 Chocolatey cream cake (6)
- **12** Drink of the gods (6)
- **15** Eloquent (6)
- 18 Little stab of pain (6)
- 20 Comedian's gag (4)
- 22 Not on the cards (8)
- 23 Fireplace (6)
- 24 State, country (6)
- **25** So far (3)

DOWN

- **1** Cloth (6)
- 2 Extend, protract (8)
- **3** Be partial to (6)
- 4 Turn pale (6)
- 5 Ghastly child (4)
- 6 Archimedes' cry (6)
- **11** One of Santa's helpers? (3)
- 13 Chirping insects (8)
- 14 Feel remorse for (3)
- **16** Pillager (6)
- 17 Oversensitive (6)
- 18 Special ability (6)
- **19** Measure of liquid (6)
- **21** Seed spikes (of corn) (4)

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