



Across

- 1 - Weak dish lacking duck in England (6)
- 7 - Alfred's 500 gone to company outside (8)
- 8 - No end to virtuous sticky stuff (3)
- 9 - Titled men: aristocrats, embracing the French (6)
- 10 - Cheese made in the mirror (4)
- 11 - Slump is a poor reflection on initial doings (5)
- 13 - Small, more acidic course (7)
- 15 - Metal musical almost containing Evita – primarily, that's fantastic (7)
- 17 - Verify person from Prague over the phone (5)
- 21 - Dry middles of corduroy woollens combined (4)
- 22 - Precis about costs (6)
- 23 - Seed, say, grew initially (3)
- 24 - Join test upset to offload (8)
- 25 - Nearly destroy broken up county (6)

Down

- 1 - Saw temperature dropping and express relief (6)
- 2 - Proton whirling around quickly (6)
- 3 - Smear lying constituents ahead of time (5)
- 4 - Balances out what a bad tennis player regularly experiences? (7)
- 5 - Look into burn in creche losing margins (8)
- 6 - Wrongly covet a series of notes (6)
- 12 - Outdated bee tools reconfigured (8)
- 14 - Aim for funds supporting Italian river (7)
- 16 - Unusually, Medusa entertained (6)
- 18 - Leases warped frames for artists (6)
- 19 - Cavalier king redesigned vacant hut (6)
- 20 - Pal's not right for fanatic (5)