

October 2017 Slot 5 by Flowerman

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Across

- 1 Proper and timely to move in an imperious manner (12)
- 9 Page calls for head shortly after trainee cut foot (9)
- 10 Spot on one (5)
- 11 Unruly GIs irritated top magician (15)
- 12 Pretty clever (4)
- 13 Agents to render embryos primarily malformed (10)
- 16 Keen about editor returning? Not sure (10)
- 19 Drift after losing king's support (4)
- 21 Pretend to support work at Telegraph Office after I apply for redeployment (3,3,7,2)
- 24 Nobleman's arrest enthralling state (5)
- 25 Felix endlessly referring to drawing (9)
- 26 Sportspersons in warm up exercises left these off (12)

Down

- 1 Tidy chief trimmed core of apple (5)
- 2 Fell back with nurse in tall grass (9)
- 3 Avoiding extremes of temperature,

- 4 At first the new leader repeatedly put foot down (7)
- 5 Figure out a haven for ancient biota (7)
- 6 Drink with freedom after The Queen departs (8)
- 7 Outfit female left not meeting required standards (4)
- 8 Conservative extremely iffy about bunch of uglis, say (8)
- 12 Striking fast (8)
- 14 Fanatic's message rejecting leader on film (9)
- 15 It's hard to read game after Australia's opener is out for one (8)
- 17 Fear for American priest held by cult (7)
- 18 Pest is a limitless egg producer on herb (7)
- 20 Decoration can be put up providing nail replaced (6)
- 22 Rock up at *Zigzags* (4)
- 23 Birds ignoring brown outcrops in Central Australia (5)