## Crossword 14,227 Set by Cinephile

## ACROSS

1 Reduce what sounds like the scandal of Thurber's Walter? (8)
5 Ex-con took most of the gold and left the silver $(3,3)$
9 Food said to be brought up in Sussex town (8)
10 Colorado's share of garden vermin (6)

12 Sin of an edentate (5)
13 Intimate liquid put back into cupboard (5-4)
14 Not much of a sweet (6)
16 Convey to destination free (7)
18 Advance showing of vicar first in his seat (7)
20 Article taken from country needing food (6)
22 Some old workplace concerned with smell (9)
23 I had backed myself, in a manner of speaking (5)
24 Oriental, one in holy book (6)
25 A brand or variety of home provider (8)

26 Agreement at 3 (about) (6)
27 Establish fixed position for new church after taking head from heart (8)

## DOWN

1 Swamp with gold in a lump (6)
2, 7, 21 Misfortune drove the cursed hero out - novel displays its traditional theme, as Lysander expressed it (3,6,2,4,4,5,3,3,6)
3 Size could be right (5)
4 Portion of time and energy around cattle station (7)
6 Welshman finds source of water in his peninsula (9)
7 See 2
8 Gray, possible Conservative, going round in circles (8)
11, 19 Applause for bowler at racetrack (8)

15 Philanderer entertains funny chap by means of presentation $(4,5)$
17 Part of space traveller's wheel with teeth (8)
19 See 11
20 Constable's call to Rooney, say? $(3,4)$
21 See 2
23 Local monarch closer than magpie

