

Guardian cryptic crossword

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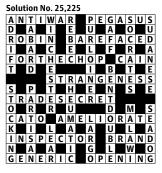
Across

- 8 Lawrence told people about Henry's fundraiser (8)
- **9** Shell out for primitive deal? (6)
- **10** Old writer, one working as decorator in firm (6)
- **11** Ranger's friend turns into the opposite, making low comment (8)
- **12** Ex's allowance not providing for any car (4)
- 13 Contradiction Georgia, proverbially? (10)
- **15** This spare tyre would be one! (3-4)
- **16** Clearer of conscience, Shed pens of himself (7)
- **18** Make Violet put back ginger biscuit (6,4)
- **19** August following in short tribal division (4)
- 20 Inspirational work almost cutting supplies (4,4)
- **22** One fled French regime after Revolution (6)
- 23 Bordeaux's patron saint with her object of patronage? Not half (6)
- 24 Threesome accepted by topless goddess produces a great time! (8)

Down

1 The Times, Le Monde, Die Welt, El Pais and La Stampa will be sure to include it (8,7)

- 2 "Pioneer" of space travel making messenger stick with study – swell! (4,11)
- **3** Route to maltreatment? No energy (10)
- 4 The game's over ready to meet one's maker (5,2)
- **5** The chorusmaster's response from the choir (4)
- **6** Many left search in Year One – cracking game! (6,9)
- **7** Supporter does, as fan letter paid off (4,3,8)
- 14 With current female covered by separate condition (5,5)
- 17 Liqueur that is understood to infuse information-bearer upwards (7)
- **21** Hotel announced legal documentation (4)



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