

# Crossword No. 288

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## Across

- 1 Number 5 acid dressing broke in East London. (7)
- 5 Means to make music in small room, then ... nothing. (5)
- 8 A hundred birds in mountain hideout. (5)
- 9 A choc bar, then a ballpoint to provide some sort of exercise. (7)
- 10 Film died disastrously while showing centre of pitch. (8)
- 11 Someone had to pay the old policeman. (4)
- 13 This angry language unit implies one more. (9)
- 16 Endless halt revealed poisonous breadfruit family tree. (4)
- 17 At Bucharest perhaps, twice, great cruelty. (8)
- 20 Colombian 2014-06 challenger sees Bantu next to stove. (7)
- 21 Actinium-chromium article found in former Gold Coast city. (5)
- 22 A teen cooked then consumed. (5)
- 23 Bacchic plant stork of thine in now dispersed Soviet Union. (7)

## Down

- 1 Exist, approach, adorn fittingly. (6)
- 2 Spoke deliriously to 500 after wild party. (5)
- 3 Actors' costume smoother, ferrous and shaped in a mould. (4,4)
- 4 Chaotic craters halt us on way to see two Kings of England. (7,6)
- 5 Hackneyed humour about maize. (4)
- 6 Bob lied, improperly influenced MPs. (7)
- 7 Officer commanding sect that's esoteric. (6)
- 12 Crayon or disguised crown or heart related. (8)
- 13 Bloke allowed garland to be put on his head. (7)
- 14 This follows 13; what are you doing? (6)
- 15 Self-regulation text using statutes? (6)
- 18 Old Peruvians were called endlessly, should the need arise. (5)
- 19 In this, futilely proud of oneself. (4)