Crossword 15,791 Set by Rosa Klebb

ACROSS
1 Cost of cleaner energy after introduction of grant (6)
4 Hit hard by huge anticlimax (6)
8 Stupidity of son wearing shredded denims (7)
9 Hard-hearted soprano on the radio (7)
11 Punctuation mark, perhaps too complicated? (10)
12 Area of London is posh now, having evicted odd characters (4)
13 Date stone on half-empty tray (5)
14 US DJ transfixed by clever answer in dramatic scenes (8)
16 Revolutionary cadet sat sideways, hiding repugnance (8)
18 Eyed contents of toga and ran (5)
20 Small relatives hide (4)
21 Capable of getting hold of mobile in her sleep (10)
23 Tablets finally heal you, stopping embarrassing ailment (7)
24 Seriously congested traffic around Paris airport (7)
25 Rock singers wanting Queen to reform (6)
26 Digestive spasm after fizz (6)

DOWN
1 Tweet about why I erupt on a regular basis (5)
2 Pardon means rebels got lucky in the end (7)
3 Talk tough at first, ignoring case of British disease (9)
5 Laplace subtracting 50s at great speed (5)
6 Reportedly liable to leak and spy for state (4,3)
7 Money for bribes and lavish entertainment held by heartless sod (5,4)
10 Articulate dons rushed and spoke incoherently (9)
13 Mo initially treated with suspicion (9)
15 Penniless kid supported by European Commission (9)
17 Train nurse to shave hair (7)
19 The French scream and throw a wobbly (4,3)
21 Part of apres-ski crowd (5)
22 Olive’s relative left extremely impartial account (5)

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