Hints for Harvard Puzzle "Diversifying"

Instructions: Parentheses around a clue mean that a letter must be omitted from the answer before it will fit in the grid. Numbers in parentheses indicate lengths of answers. An asterisk * indicates a capitalized word, and a hash mark # a foreign word.

Across
1. *Mystery entry (4)
2. Cheeky chief's foolish talk (8)
3. (Angered, unsettled, and upset) (7)
4. Officer put Oscar initially in control (7)
5. Methyl found in Laurel's flower part (6)
6. *Dotty able to contain old virus (5)
7. *Bartok's not exactly able (4)
8. Fill a vault with hot rock (4)
9. (Toxic spoon contains iodine venom) (6)
10. Large, ugly look (5)
11. Cinema Venus embracing connoisseur (5)
12. Food: fleshy kinds without mass (4)
13. Noisy, bigger kitchen tool (6)
14. (Actress Turner holds one vine) (5)
15. Save and study function (8)
16. *(Knight wearing Roman robe in Island kingdom) (5)
17. Decorated plates, a main item of trade (6)
18. Change is about to upset fan (6)
19. Select city house in Scotland (6)
20. Showed up with nothing for a brief appearance on stage (5)
21. (Registered name for exactness) (5)
22. Freshman seen in Applebee's (5)
23. *Mystery entry (4)

Down
1. (Make short, single, messy copy neat) (9)
2. Waste matter seen in stern of ship (4)
3. Turn over, being assailed in return (7)
4. Knowledge of essentially useless mineral (4)
5. Camera serves in part as a remover (6)
6. Evensong serves roughly to include beginning of prayers (7)
7. Garbo never will have a part that's good in French (3)
8. Fifty-fifty is about the first lady's position (5)
9. Companion beverage (4)
10. One attempt to keep straight (4)
11. Swimming once around a large body of water (5)
12. Aquatic organism of Alabama and Georgia (4)
13. Eminent but incompetent (7)
14. *Formal talks involving an island (5)
15. Injured leg beginning to exude (4)
16. *A strange place without power for a train (5)
17. Fear being insufficient when childless (5)
18. (Animal has right to sing) (5)
19. *Bird turned back around German city (5)
20. Loud tie's yellow part (4)
21. (Torn about always being worshipful) (8)
22. (Untreated dirt and earth) (5)
23. *The dispersal of a mob by a U.S. leader (5)
24. #Sir, Troy must abandon bad habits (5)