Crossword

Intersections 9: A (mostly) Scientific Crossword*  

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There are two sets of clues – cryptic clues, and quick clues. The answers to both sets of clues are the same. The solutions will be printed in the next issue.

CRYPTIC CLUES
If you are not used to solving cryptic clues: you have to re-parse the clue and decipher the wordplay to get the answer. By doing an internet search, you can find many websites that give helpful hints on how to go about this, and describe the different types of clues (anagrams, telescopic clues, etc.)

Across

5. Around Hampi I ban Newt (9)
8. High temperatures in the Atacama (4)
9. You desert M (8)
10. 11 Chemist’s old flame? (6, 6)
11. See 10 across
13. Thermostat usually hides position (6)
15. Social chirps? (6)
16. Furiously stab into Linnaeus (8)
18. Steal back implement (4)
19. A sly cadet randomly accelerated change (9)

Down

1 Clear out place containing nothing (5, 3)
2. Light Vietnamese soup is heavy! (6)
3. Absurd beginnings or dumb conclusion captivate (6)
4. Wholesale prayers? (4)
6. Lowering electron gain (9)
7. Illness? Confine it at sea (9)
12. X-man is sadly not green (8)
14. Back’s plan is broken (6)
15. Horribly stealthy Capone escapes ancient sea (6)
17. Turing emerges from Algerian borders (4)
QUICK CLUES

Across
5. Animal that can live on land or water (9)
8. Form of energy often measured in kCal (4)
9. kilo- (8)
10, 11. Source of 8 across in chemistry labs (6, 6)
11. See 10 across
13. Standing (6)
15. Messages with 280-character limit (6)
16. She studies plants (8)
18. Hammer or tongs (4)
19. Sped up reaction (9)

Down
1. It has zero elements (5, 3)
2. Quantum of light (6)
3. Soak up (6)
4. It can be inertial or gravitational (4)
6. Anti-oxidation? (9)
7. Biological or computer viruses cause this (9)
12. Discoverer of X-rays (8)
14. Relating to backbone (6)
15. Primordial sea (6)
17. Scientist Turing or astronaut Shepard (4)

NOTE: Answers will be published in the next issue.