CROSSWORD
No. 15,623 Set by MONK

ACROSS
5 Arabic wife stopping money for cleaner of estate? (3-4)
7 Aggressive fool pursuing thrill (4-3)
9 When solvers start to waver before getting back to normal (2,3,4)
10 Fawn that's new in Sri Lanka (5)
11 Close society elite working to carry women to and fro (11)
12 Instrument of torture finally taken on by monarchy (3)
13 Quits appearing in terribly amateurish film (3,5,7)
16 Awful element of British Guiana in revolt (3)
18 Low-grade, gooey slimy fungi making colloid (11)
20 Beef – good cut of beef (5)
21 Foreigner, one taking heavy blow outside church (9)
22 Subject having son ousted by cold, isolated group (7)
23 Recognised that boy taking book inside – still here? (7)

DOWN
1 Buy extra naughty see-through accessory? (1-3,4)
2 Cook biting one expensive big cheese (5,9)
3 Having run out of grains, pick dessert (3,5)
4 Times article on top 60% of 6 in idyllic place (6)
5 Pupils encounter idea of marks in report? (5,8)
6 Developed area in the last month, freehold finally being accepted (5)
7 Look back, concerned with American president dividing opinion to cause uncertainty (4,2,8)
8 Persevering to lower current when holding right tool (9-4)
14 Former knight with no time for model (8)
15 Vixen perhaps using control that's excessive you say? (8)
17 Leg and loin in hot pot without lid (6)
19 Scrap metal's ending in forge (5)

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