ACROSS
1 Tries during proper practice session (9)
6 One after fur points to omniverous animal (5)
9 Drive off to get hold of a representative for a cleaning preparation (7)
10 Husband in Christmas show, male ghost (7)
11 Bury playwright needing no introduction (5)
12 Abandoned speciality, unconventional (4-5)
14 See no odds for replay (3)
15 Grocer goes off to collect second bravery award (6,5)
17 Some tartan cloth finally used to make a cap (3-1-7)
19 Last time out, for example (3)
20 Grade neat new restaurant (3,6)
22 Improvised, most of excuse involving daughter (2-3)
24 Pair left in car heading for Truro (7)
26 Price of ticket needed by supporter for elaborate ceremony (7)
27 Butler’s nasty threat following removal of article? (5)
28 Money for minor expenses small-minded Conservative has blown (5,4)

DOWN
1 Swiss dish in bistro’s tip-top (5)
2 Flourishing and rich, having been given a fresh start (7)
3 Sweetheart turned up after a spring vegetable (9)
4 Large cat paws one lord ferociously (4,7)
5 Cheek and other facial feature (3)
6 Light-hearted teasing from her, initially, in snack bar (5)
7 Style of design poorly rated by small company (3,4)
8 Indecorum shown in memo I’d rewritten with pen (9)
13 Withstanding attack very well (8,3)
14 Vehicle’s condition described by retired people (6,3)
16 Sure-fire winner in TT race crashed, sadly, at the end (9)
18 Evaluate course of action (7)
19 Some consult an Asian sovereign’s wife (7)
21 Apportion a rising levy (5)
23 Busy person starts to chop hickory wood (5)
25 Dump mine on the way up (3)

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