ACROSS
1 Petitioner lets one go that’s noisy (7)
5 European politician in tax storm (7)
9, 15 Disciple with virtue gives explanation for incompetence (5,9)
10 Pie cooked to fix a northern gourmet (9)
11 Unrealistic contract is sealed by Independent editor (9)
12 Little swimmer takes part in elite training (5)
13 Nurse gets husband out of danger (5)
15 See 9
18 Cat may be animal hard to catch indeed (9)
19 Classic film festival allows in 50 approximately (2,3)
21 Silver inscribed with second name between (5)
23 NY speed cops initially reported Bowery girl? (4,5)
25 Priest beats wickedly hot girl (9)
26 Make low noise devouring fine gammon (5)
27 Clear about health initially, one given too much wallop (7)
28 Rubbish PM keeping job (7)

DOWN
1 One imitating policeman lives in vacant yurt (7)
2 Leading in a race, three males going round lake (2,3,4)
3 Papa runs into trouble in cruelest month (5)
4 Mystical system Henry introduced to strange Soho type (9)
5 What sort of man was Kim Philby? (5)
6 Witty remark about compilers with long whiskers (9)
7 Sun god deserts Mycenaean princess awaiting power (5)
8 Tax on wine old news in Times (7)
14 Member given blame in the shoddy newspaper (9)
16 Obtain stewed meat – it’s Beefy! (3,6)
17 It revitalises heart with due deference to God (9)
18 English getting aboard must stop vessel (5,2)
20 Old country house secured in 24 hours (7)
22 Have say in Co-op in Eltham (5)
23 Forcibly remove speaker’s refreshment (5)
24 Elvish giant oddly dismissive over nothing (5)

Solution 15,725