CROSSWORD
No. 15,737 Set by MONK

ACROSS
1 Narrowly defeat Italian for a lark (5)
4 Name short boy trapped inside smoke (9)
9 Same or different in dialect (9)
10 Agree to include dealer’s third heroin conviction (5)
11 Uniform worn by one extremely statuesque queen? (7)
12 Greek god told to remove lining on a cloud? (7)
13 Look unfavourably on refund with remorse after penny has dropped (14)
17 Dreadful hang-up, imagine, about university’s experimental subject (5,6,3)
21 Plant originally found on Iceland kept in box (7)
23 Aim to extend break or become ruined (2,2,3)
25 Run inside to inspect food (5)
26 Female singer backing way to restrict right of society men? (9)
27 Do maidens get aroused or unsettled? (9)
28 Swift creature loves to go on grass, rolling over (5)

DOWN
1 Father Ted at first undermining peers (6)
2 Episcopacy founded by Templar is unorthodox (9)
3 Chief regularly putting idiot on duty (5)
4 Film maker once picked up bird, on pull

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