

Across

- 7 Unusually ugly it's criminal! (6)
- **8** Prevent progress of Scotland's last (6)
- 9 Subject (to one's will, maybe) old group of conspirators (4)
- 10 Concerning wages for services securing royal engineers for umpires (8)
- 11 Ludicrously oppose a native North American infant (7)
- 13 React unusually and provide food (5)
- 15 Mitigate advanced ancient strife (5)
- 17 Entreaties of people who fork out money including rubles (7)
- 20 Continuously willing for a match on the opponents' ground (4,4)
- 21 Peculiar diet trend (4)
- 22 Main regularly enacted psychic session (6)
- **23** Plunderer's supporter changing initial direction (6)

Down

- 1 Matador's cape and amulet mangled (6)
- 2 Covered cold boy (4)
- **3** Symbol of death; thin black fabric in the past (7)
- 4 Stolen thing's ton weight in America (5)
- 5 Request pastry regularly after most of first course (8)
- 6 Intermittent try out of extremely garbled vocabulary unit (6)
- 12 Detached, in rebellion and not telling the truth (8)
- 14 Struggles of disorganised loaders (7)
- 16 Cricketer's hat (6)
- **18** Reclaim space following wandering deer (6)
- **19** Exchanges for money of special drinks (5)
- 21 Jog back to right (4)