

**ACROSS**

- 7 Metal giant primarily iron? I'm not sure (8)  
 9 Ring informant or one who speaks (6)  
 10 Extent of blue lake regularly overlooked (4)  
 11 Take away fiddle case fit for repair (10)  
 12 Get firm with male in competition (6)  
 14 Avidly painting around home lady vacated (8)  
 15 Deception of comedy act? (5,8)  
 17 Lag pipes badly, causing decline (8)  
 19 Uneven route circling around yard (6)  
 21 Military groups in last boat shot (10)  
 22 Angling equipment brought back unknown fish (4)  
 23 Short emperor on island is kind (6)  
 24 Slave in revolution arrives, taking away mass artworks (8)

**DOWN**

- 1 Small home possessed by mum (6)  
 2 Thin pieces of timber stripped (4)  
 3 Supernatural power and cunning of that woman in Cyprus (8)  
 4 Imitated member of police? That is ultimate in fraud (6)  
 5 Fed up and upset characters in boat net no clams (10)  
 6 Army is surrounding the French foes (8)  
 8 Game of guile Martin played (9,4)  
 13 Best, popular doctor turned hospital ward supreme (10)  
 15 Adaptable fellow, ace in former method (8)  
 16 Boz's bill is fake (8)  
 18 Draw everything you heard about (6)  
 20 Hamish's back bearing weapon gets hurt (6)  
 22 Knock down some cards (4)

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