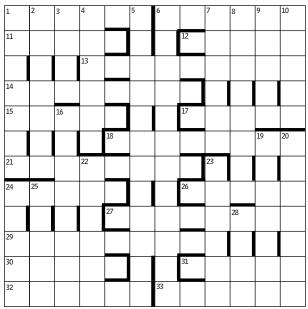
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ACROSS

- 1 Before the hour of d-drink, it offers two alternatives (6)
- 6 'It once bought a bit in Timor'-how nursery rhyme begins? (6)
- 11 Small width palm leaves yielding fibre for weaving (5)
- 12 Get saturated in alcohol before more than a mere snooze (5)
- 13 Fruit I put in marinade of mocha and rye (9)
- 14 Grass that's aquatic, ricy, gale ruined (8)
- 15 Played tricks on the French teacher at tertiary level (5,2 words)
- 17 Guy with endless sex drive getting guick fix? (5)
- 18 Cod in sea may be mistaken for such marine creatures (8)
- 21 Odd bits of wool, inferior, female hoarded (8)
- 24 Food historically taken with hot alcoholic drink of the period (5)
- 26 Professional theologians, rule-makers in part (5)
- 27 Basted bird beginning to cook in part? (8)
- 29 Aquatic insects: none act swimmingly (9)
- 30 East wind in Brittany? It occurs (5)
- 31 Majors (historically) accepting navy pilot's badge? (5)
- 32 Learned cleric maybe found in gutter? Blush results (6)
- 33 The low neck is embellished when this is displayed? (6)

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DOWN

- 1 Fashion somewhere to go in crude shelter (6)
- 2 Twit binds knotted kale as element in garland (7)
- 3 Last tack: strip of bone (4)
- 4 Robe for bishop giving Sabbath address, trimmed at bottom (6)
- 5 Description of Greek poet? Preacher chewed over another such (12)
- 6 Time car struggling, in danger, forming circuit (12)
- 7 Plug I removed form inside old-fashioned watch (6)
- 8 Poet holds questionnaire in describing his divine patron? (8)
- 9 Aquatic rodent, evasive, turned up (5)
- 10 They may or may not be out of place in Basra (5)
- 16 Deaf to diet, I love —— stew? Yes and no (8)
- 19 Work unit in local population separate again (7)
- 20 Froth rarely turning up in place it settles on water from afar (7,2 words)
- 22 Stone circle, centre carved out as ancient landing-place? (6)
- 23 Some of Dacia claque turns up for this poetic stuff? (6)
- 24 Excavator: one knowing his ores loses a list (5)
- 25 No longer send what'll seem overcharged parcel? (5)
- 28 Put out guff just after entering former colony (40

The Chambers Dictionary (2003) is recommended.