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## ACROSS

1 They spray rough old eucalypts, diseased inside (12)
10 Inner yard, Asian plant occupying centre (7)
12 Maori get-togethers? One's held in almost complete silence (4)
13 Insecticide scattered in riddle (8)
14 Shifting features of desert regions, in particular Egypt (4)
15 Writing about Australian river concerning yabbies? Not exactly (6)
18 Tax region office in Bangladeshi unit (7)
19 A crest encased in tin for sexton (9)
22 Eulogizing e.g. Virgil's poem about its hero as having quit Troy (9)
24 Coloured emperor (not king) of African state (7)
26 Angel of death wandering lazaret endlessly (6)
29 Sea fish, not bad when wrapped in middle of pemmican (4)
30 A valet with this resinous compound's treated a violin? (8)
31 Documents brought forward, including bits of unsolicited mail? (4)
32 Cover flame, first to last and always (7)
33 Reworked screed with denouement showing fresh decline (12)

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Across 1, bis cach(e) a; 11, E in anag.; 12 Hin a jut (rev.); 13, i.e. T in sands; 14, to + E men(rev.);18, 'room'; poetic tears; 22, s(H)orts; 28, Iris in oh; 32, i.e. zz disposed within tête; 35 , is ad in came
Down 1, utters c in botch; 5, ca m+ anag.; 6, (ju)st in hule; 10, test + anag in one; 16, sv C; 20, anag. incl. st; 21, a RMill + a; see jolly; 23, i.e. a, then a; 24 'Secombe'; 31, ace (rev.) + d.

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## DOWN

2 It's contaminated by e.g. $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ S and hence sprinkled sugar (7,2 words)
3 Ferrets won award by the sound of it (5)
4 Badger pulling up some flowerbed irises (4)
5 Loose bratling's casting of underwear for flashes (6)
6 Drug abuse in USA, youth inhaling coarse grass (not good) (8,2 words)
7 Old thieves earn zero LSD, being crooked (8)
8 To disnest (obs.), i.e. throwing ornis out? Not I (7)
9 French pud: might it follow this course? (4)
10 Light carriage moves, as of old, uphill south of Darjeeling? (10)
11 Desecrate court, supposition entertained by misguided nun, say (10)
16 Lark, rubescent one-beautiful wings (8)
17 Tutti break out violently with appalling noise (8)
20 Record about earth presented roughly on map? (7)
21 E.g. Ernie covering metrical distance in Italian city (7)
23 Ingredient of salad, last portion I have (6)
25 Oil mixed with two bits of mustard in blender (5)
27 Stringed instrument made from bent metal bar, found round Zambia (4)
28 Apart from south-west, country's a lovely place (4)
The Chambers Dictionary (2003) is recommended.

