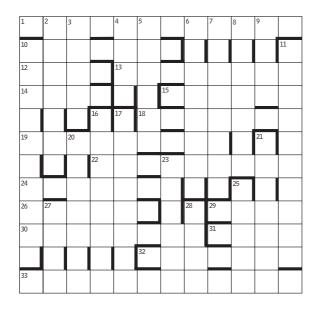
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### ACROSS

- 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 permican (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 H in 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 RM ill + 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. H<sub>2</sub>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.