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ACROSS

- 1 Dancing stable, colder around start of performance? (13, 3 words)
- **10** Locks leg after bend (7)
- 11 Lady that's spare, and not old (6)
- 14 Hint isn't in a clue that's half missing, faulty (9)
- **15** One's kept in chest or box (Scottish) (5)
- **16** What's hot often, and available at all times (5, 2 words)
- 17 Nigel's troubled about outside broadcast that's inferior (7)
- **18** Interior design, one inspired by Dutch look! (6)
- 21 Headless ghost holding lute, initially it twangs the strings (7)
- 23 Duck during basic education, being caught in 's' for slips (6)
- **25** Loveless tough worked out tantrum in ritualistic crime (7)
- **27** Pollen gatherer getting work in southern California (5)
- **28** Hermit community offering minimum of luxurious mystique (5)
- **30** Claim fees wrongly for past crimes (9)
- 31 Rocky outcrop, one overlooking meandering R. Nile (6)
- **32** Cooked meal completely over not a substantial plate (7)
- **33** Eating mess with red bananas, Poles are rendered inactive by them? (13)

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Across 3, the ain popped; 13, coss (i.e.); 14, in an up (rev.); 20, ref. new potatoes; 24, en (qv) in f(a) ce; 25, ant intric(e); 32, llin CEO; 34, s light ness.

Down 1, gas + p; seekink; 2, lin anag. lessr; 3, asana with Pr. for as; 8, es in air; plural of as²; 9, yams (rev.) in died; 16, anag. + air; 21, cue in elle (Fr.); 24, far alternating with ice; 26, annul(US); 30, 0 in Mya.

PRIZERULES

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DOWN

- 1 Fish, rather plump, passing by (4)
- 2 Toxic substance secreted by prehistoric insects (5)
- 3 Personification from love poet in non-verse writing mostly I accepted (11)
- **4** Thrill for Jock racket led astray (6)
- **5** As a sight to see in Paris, accept line 'Seine's fantastic'? Not I (11, 2 words)
- **6** Smashed bust, obscure (5)
- 7 Old spears: a lunge directed catches cadet, one certainly following behind (11)
- **8** They make settlements creating trouble in records (9)
- **9** Township in short suggests this temporary accommodation (6)
- **12** Seat required for dance performance, of course (5)
- **13** Get a gun and scare bats in plantation crop (9)
- 19 One of algae group that invades mid-sea environs (6)
- 20 Ventriloguist's prop, about right for making us laugh (5)
- 22 What looms pass yarn through mostly on time (6)
- 24 Merkel's brow isn't furrowed when Right gets in (5)
- **26** Cunning dab escapes subject to control (5)
- 29 Deipnosophist's gems appearing regularly in annuals? (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. It does not aive one German word.