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Across

- 1 Being financially extended limits 'born rolling' in building method (13)
- 10 To write verse, and in French, requiring all-round self-confidence (7)
- 11 Stop works, finishing early? One rolls out barrels (6)
- 12 Judge dismissed jury after absorbing day with points (4)
- 13 Marcel maybe suffering a raw endless hiver (8)
- 14 Spoils mass squashed inside the press (7)
- 17 Gently, maybe, part of basic education is fed to backward child (4)
- 18 Shoulder of lamb e.g. in spring with extremes of lard (5)
- 19 Seller of cheap goods, wretchedly gaunt, around e.g. Michaelmas (9)
- 22 Going round the bend, granny has little time for dad's old sister (5)
- 25 Until no longer in use, indefinite number stored, running out (4)
- 27 Keyhole maker in short is taking on a matter of chance with no opening for Yale (7)
- 28 After what indicates double for starters, I'll get stuck into round, tippling (8)
- 29 Memorable journey? Ticker tape welcomes one returning (4)
- 30 Non-mainstream labels during the old days (6)
- 31 What is possibly extracted from pine trees? This is (7)
- 32 X act, rather improper within – soft-core, might one assume? (13)

Down

- 1 Second sweet portion? There's something boring in mine (11, 2 words)
- 2 Second college crew beside river get soaked, upended (6)
- 3 Scots show falseness of revolutionary dispute (8)
- 4 Paltry nip mixed in another one? (6)
- 5 The cholera's spreading? This may be much in evidence then (11)
- 6 Harsh sound I'd released turning up rackets (5)
- 7 Marble vessel to deliver (4)
- 8 Going up one of the lochs, Jock's hit repeatedly (5)
- 9 Cut round straggly alder, West-Indian style? (11)
- 11 Player once – was this the small group he played with (7)
- 15 Bulging appearance is below shaping of nates (7)
- 16 Falcon allowed round queen by king? (8)
- 20 Deity: unspecified object is in diversion of harm (6)
- 21 Historical race held in the past renewed (6)
- 23 Bird's prey rook initially dropped (5)
- 24 Student producing piece of work financially rewarded on early English (5)
- 26 Old spear, one found in excavation, brought up (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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31	N	Y	A	S	R	E	S	T	Y	L	E	S

Across 1, a in matchin(g); 13, do nene SS; 15, I³ in clam; 17, anag. in cost; 32, resty Les (Dennis, comic actor).

Down 1, me + cod (rev.); 4, axe + nic(e); 6, ref. *Brand*, verse tragedy by Henrik I.; 8, I'd an in (me)at; 12, n in anag. + angle; 17, a psi in can; 19, part in SA; 21, r for l in lively; 26, anag. less anag.

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