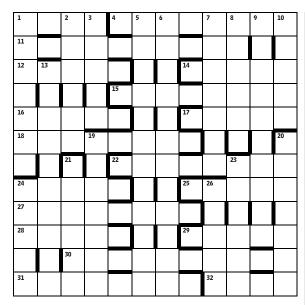
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### Across

- 1 Women, mature, for hire (4)
- 4 Wine the French bottled in torrent (8)
- 11 Service book, one lying behind e.g. main part of church, from east to west (10)
- **12** Bobby on Thursday beat (5)
- **14** Bit of foreign money I put into drink (5)
- **15** Speech, a hit with bride, thrilled, husband delivered (8)
- **16** Edible weed, sweet, removed from wrapping (5)
- 17 Shut up in prison, one given time (5, 2 words)
- **18** Carpet is woven with wavy edge (8)
- 22 One dressing offal having to call back after lapse (8)
- 24 One of a pair connected in vice, creating frightful noise behind church (5)
- **25** Clothes shown off in Ascot (5)
- 27 Musician transcribed tune found in catalogue (8)
- **28** Afternoon song by the camp fire? We'll provide leafy cover (5)
- **29** Sea I'm plying for lots of herring (5)
- **30** Soldiers in unusually large unit reduced by 50%, like one such (10)
- 31 Nogs drunk were flowing with daughter welcomed as one of the family (8)
- 32 Ball penetrating one side of wicket, turning I must get even (4)

#### Down

- 1 One lacking entry permit we support when it's shortly acquired (7)
- 2 Police abroad, ideal when following car or lorry up (6)
- **3** Giant of old among men or mice (5)
- **5** English Pernod I spit out swallowing it it's bad for the heart (12)
- 6 Matlo sails it at sea masthead flies from this? (12)
- 7 Where cattle are kept warm and dry, gale swirling outside (7)
- 8 Brit leader's abandoned, astray? (6)
- 9 Wherein biological populations are preserved – conditions including lab I fitted out (10)
- 10 Cornish visitor, one with good vision letting go of rope (5)
- **13** Moravian, German gent, Jaeger, name becoming leader (10)
- **19** Show more inclination to guide writer having run away (7)
- **20** Hull? That's involved with North Sea mostly (7)
- 21 Travelling box one's packed in Jordanian destination? (6)
- 23 Object of worship I wrapped in loose gown (6)
- **24** Tolling sound, a complex tone (5)
- 26 Old gold coin, disc cut square across (5)

# The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 10, E in anag. in mere; 13, c, e + anag.; 18, dessert ate with I for first e; 25, x in tape (rev.); 28, cf. umpire; 30, alternate letters; draw = eviscerate; 32, w in anag.; 33, tr. + lemma (rev.).

Down 2, anag. less anag. & lit.; 5, anag. + insides; 7, anag. in lit (= drunk); 8, u pat; 20, OU tact; 22, put in sum; 26, (c)loset (rev.).

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