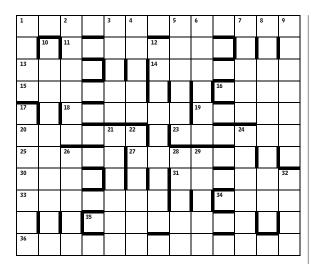
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Across

- 1 Being worse off, I'd returned wretched vehicle, cross, old (13)
- 11 Father leading service with unction, by which one may be guided from aloft (8)
- **13** What signals repetition including a bowler's slanting line (4)
- **14** Pedimental ornament actor flourished before her late majesty (7)
- **15** Local barge clad in tin dispersed roughly (6)
- **16** Eleven characters in a row? That's quite a stinker! (4)
- **18** One called backward, with minimum marks? (6)
- 19 Shield's black lead forged with little inner weight (5)
- 20 Dreadfully parched, lacking hydrant try US porter (6)
- 23 Letter from Greece received by writer it's juicy stuff (6)
- **25** Type of cement wears out, high explosive shifted (5)
- **27** Tirade getting aisles rolling (6)
- **30** Showy plant from Italy king avoided put in danger (4)
- **31** Buddhist monks celebrated in this year (6)
- **33** Trilling of glee's a vocal exercise (7)
- 34 Bit off head of cuttle, something to chew on (4)35 Programming language caught dividin
- **35** Programming language caught dividing two men, a worry (8)
- **36** Awkward places he has to negotiate round? (13)

Down

- 1 Terms for heavy conditions at Murrayfield? (4)
- **2** E.g. sea bream, species very short of water (6)
- **3** French maybe having to accept rule, gutted? (5)
- **4** What dalit's denied, as opposed to water buffalo! (5)
- **5** Worthless poncho in tatters (6, 2 words)
- 6 In practice I scored run (6)
- 7 Drop of medicine, thick milky stuff (5)
- **8** With little energy, one woozy drunk, here, registering copper's time? (10)
- **9** Turns black box in the course of studies (7)
- **10** A little child swallowing most of what's mistaken for xerophyte (10)
- 12 Grazed round Africa, wild and beautiful (9)
- 17 Creative school maybe starts off going round island (7)
- 21 One starts rising scales, not paying attention (6)
- **22** Chum holding girl up, *not* authentic (6)
- **24** Follows on, as in courts (6)
- **26** Little Alice? I am still after answer (5)
- **28** 'Relating to Egyptian deity' is your first clue? (5)
- 29 Scottish willow of this kind is found round Australia (5)
- **32** Month in Tel Aviv and Cairo evens out (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2016) is recommended.

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Across 14, a + mir in mal; 16, monkey with a for key; 17, to r; tor(rent); 22, bott(L)e; 28, c + air (rev.); 31, k in grie(f); 33, anag. + d in deserts. Down 3, e in spun (rev.); 5, dam + bro(0)d; 6, born Armand Fernandez (1928-2005); (b)arman; 7, o' in anag.; 13, y(0)u + ky; 18, anag. with 1 for e, & lit.

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