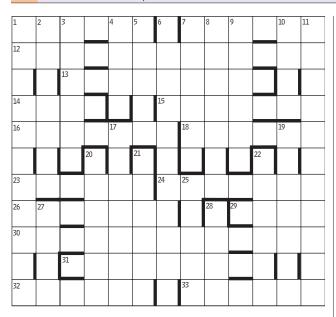
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ACROSS

- 1 Writer I abandoned for love, in the groove (6)
- 7 Socket penetrated in mouths (6)
- **12** Wandering roué, déclassé, imbibing eastern liqueur (13, 3 words)
- 13 E.g. Sergt. in forcefulness not backward explosive (9)
- **14** Heart in tenderness no longer kept secret (4)
- **15** Expression of gratitude? This is missing and E. Kean's devastated (7)
- **16** More than one red variety of scarlet (7)
- 18 Rattle to German so: 'Such climax and tone!' (6)
- 23 Travelling salesman? One going round engages unruly lad (6)
- 24 Heave, i.e. spew when thrown about in body of 'owker? (7)
- 26 Scales S. Asian river in Afghanistan initially (7)
- 29 Cutting from jambool, eastern genus including jasmine (4)
- **30** Pivotal step on floor, e.g. bagging cash modern sales technique (13)
- 31 Auntie's in trouble touring North Dakota swamps (9)
- 32 Philosopher where another taught back in centre for athletes (6)
- 33 Legal negligence is painful after end of trial (6)

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Across 1, station = Australian ranch; 13, snee + ry; 14, 3 meanings; 16, turn in anag; stare = starling; 17, i.e. b and ora = bora (qv); 20, one in true (rev.); 23, pa + Tamar; 31. Dixi(E): 33. v in Paris.

Down 1, rub in s cup; 2, comp. anag.; 3, 0 in anag.; 4, panto um; 8, dire in top (all rev.); 9, an Dali in anag.; 11, g + t in yes; 19, a MP in sled (qv); 21, ref. Aristophanes: *Frogs*; 26, tap⁴ + ir(on); 29, x (= multiplied by) in ail.

AZED No. 1,909 Prizewinners

1 Ian McBain, Poole 2 Geoffrey Telfer, Shipley, West

Yorkshire 3 Mrs P. Ambrose, Waterlooville, Hants

AZED No. 1,908 Prizewinners 'WE THREE KINGS'

1 R. S. Morse (The Deane House, Sparsholt, Winchester, Hants SO21 2LR): Christmas strain's showing with the bombing offensive against the heart of Palestine (w+anag, +reeking+s).
2 H. Freeman (London): Worried when it's Greek bearing gifts? That's us! (anag; ref. Virgil: 'timeo Danaos...').
3 E. Cross (New Milton, Hants): Our first course was from the east: moist, hot, smoky portion of samosa (weth reekings).

VHC (extra prizes): D. K. Arnott, M. Barley, C. J. Brougham, N. C. Dexter, A. S. Everest, R. J. Heald, P. F. Henderson, G. Johnstone, J. C. Leyland, D. F. Manley, T. J. Moorey, D. J. R. Ogilvie, R. Perry, P. J. Stone, R. C. Teuton, J. R. Tozer, A. Vick, A. J. Wardrop, A. Whittaker.

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DOWN

- 1 A site placed strategically early requirement for new company (11, 2 words)
- 2 Beetle making a hole once in Church (7)
- 3 Sport played by teams, not by miserable specimen he'll crawl to mom! (6)
- 4 Hit the bottle (Scotch), its first and last (4)
- **5** Maintain old supermarket, top to bottom (5)
- 6 Regimental soldiers cuss Dogstar when on manoeuvres? (11, 2 words)
- 7 Colour-sensitive plates clipping head off member of famous trio? (6)
- 8 Sailor in old fleet squadron, special lags (7)
- 9 Offensive term for Abos, number put up in marshy regions (6)
- **10** Litter dumped in site messily? (4)
- 11 Collections creating mounting confusion in disorganized lab over many years (11)
- 17 It facilitates student mobility (costs are rising) (7)
- **19** Unbridled license leading to oblivion (7)
- **20** After ailment, medical field's lost for words? Anything but (6)
- 21 'Very holy' French girl, no Trinitarian she, ultimately (6)
- **22** Enjoy dip in river and lie knotting belt up (6)
- 25 Fancy goblet? Certainly drink up holding it (5)
- 27 A tributary of the Rhine valley? Yes and no (4)
- 28 Fish catch, parts exchanged (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2008) is recommended.