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ACROSS

- **1** English habit with pal from abroad like letters (13)
- **11** Native American piranha, tailless (5)
- **13** Down on ducks, dead (5)
- 14 Chirrup about withers, like most hearty outdoor types (9)
- **15** Like decayed old trees, not even protected by Pakistani possibly (7)
- 17 Baseball teams? BBC rarely shows such, we hear (7)
- **19** Article about cheer our age lost and after that? (6)
- 20 Fibre requiring one to travel speedily from east to west (6)
- 22 Being dispossessed one has to change routes (6)
- **24** Capital cast by Epstein remoulded for arch (6)
- **26** More than one confluence is including northern and southern river length (7)
- 28 It's damaged her shin, or possibly hock (7)
- **31** Primate holding tiptop position? He's got the job (9)
- **32** Master Edward by name? (5)
- **33** Canter nag, mounted (5)
- 34 Yellow press, unbridled and scatheless, scents lead and has broadcast (13, 2 words)

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Across 1, over + anag; c + pinhot; 11, p + eric; op + anag; 14, anag, + h; lucina (rev.) in ca; 16, model with U for e; anag; 18, ref in tea; 23, anag, + ant; hem + Al (rev.); 29, 1+ vor + I; S in Etonian; 31, din trug; anag, in I fed. Down 1, op tome trist; 4, G = ski; 5, (s)hock; 8, hack(but); 9, 'Allo ('Allo) (rev.); 12, i.e. r and y; 13, but + e; 15, TT (win)e in and S; 17, I.e. ruinate = a true; 19, inin slug; 20, pet in Tai; 22, cf. mania; 25, aver(age); 26, darg (rev.); 27, 'tin sag (see saag); 28, uBoz (rev.); ref. Dickens: Sketches by Boz.

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DOWN

- **1** E.g. Hamilton, with special gown, cap, etc (11)
- 2 Llama's head has meround? Well, possibly (4)
- **3** Morse, say, writing about crooked don (8)
- 4 Back block (6)
- **5** Stewart's motor maybe requiring some elbow-room (4)
- 6 River beside state capital (7)
- 7 Motor race creating row, quiet banished from the start (4)
- 8 The old pretend being sensitive about acting (5)
- 9 Prize badge like this is held up in contest (6)
- **10** Supply craft most deployed when bagging plunder in Scotland (11)
- **12** College sportsmen (selection deferred) managed thirds in residence (9)
- 16 Insect item (not head), turned up proboscis-like (8)
- 18 Had a nip after fiddling with water fleas (7)
- 21 Somebody seizing odds on colt, as a gamble (6, 2 words)
- 23 Famous orphan after special bit of beachwear in Largs? (6)
- **25** Letter penned by author (Norse) (5)
- 27 Nightingale (so-called) in Tilia tree, first to fly off in dark (4)
- **27** Hacks: ten staggered away from what dailies serve up? (4)
- **30** Black spot? One of two in smash belly up (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended.