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### **ACROSS**

- 1 Variable tract of a certain appearance (Scottish), article Liberal penned (12)
- **9** Advanced exhaust at the back (5)
- 11 See about line that's very bad in e.g. Spenser (5)
- **13** Pity poet getting thrashed on points? (8)
- **14** Bivalve provoking reaction to cramped accommodation by pairs on board (8)
- **15** Border, one almost laid flat (5)
- **16** Powdery oxide, dry, turning light at the edges (6)
- 17 Rock containing olivine, very small in name (8)
- 22 Set rules for crumbling cake topping (8)
- 23 Spoof, an odd piece beset by drink (6)
- **26** The is positively asserting this coin is obsolete (5)
- 28 Old harp damaged in car clash (8)
- 29 Brave I spotted in splash of red paint, not adult (in films) (8)
- 30 Hammer that's wizard, end of brad going in (5)
- **31** 'Special' in head size? (5)
- **32** Quality of fresco panel sisters ordered (12)

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Down 1, C + Usk; 3, to + zap (rev.); 5, (we) atherman + CY: ref. Michael Fish: 16. pec

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#### DOWN

- 1 Porky hunk, overweight centre? (7)
- 2 Decoy rook almost works (5)
- **3** Hard work involving events in theatre where seeds are sown? (7)
- 4 Admit mass omitted anthem (7)
- **5** How's your father? Not very well variable (5)
- 6 Squiffy after imbibing clubhouse Scotch easily digested? (5)
- **7** With new dispensation, let's bar chains (7)
- 8 Street on TV once? Rang up, missing opening (5)
- **10** Key name I turned up going after one procuring umbellifers (10)
- 12 Late divine inaccurately depicted (10)
- **18** Herb giving aromatic oil taken internally by old bird (long gone) (7)
- **19** It may have ploughed up carrot after end of harvest (7)
- 20 West African fiddle Annie played (7)
- **21** Kids, reverse of stupid, with energy in lives (7)
- 23 Fake parking? This one held up travellers (5)
- **24** Major drain on NHS doctor detests (5)
- **25** Cold? Bit of glass should protect this old flower (5)
- 27 Brake catches rear of tyre (5)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.