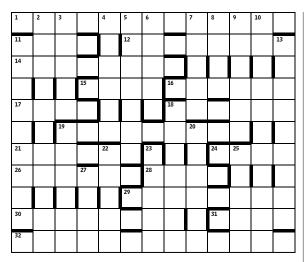
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Across

- 1 Who'll have disturbed roosting? Loth, I (13)
- 11 Bit of foreign money in church one's invested (4)
- 12 Gill spreading wings, with full range to pick from (8, 3 words)
- 14 Hubbub strangely odder when wife's involved that hurts! (8)
- 15 Horse and colt in decline (4)
- **16** One with vision unbroken, nerveless in part (6)
- 17 Member of the family, good as dance partner? (4)
- **18** Pet having a suitable doctor brought in clipped as a proviso (6)
- **19** What drains body cavity rips aorta in bits (9)
- 21 Acute anaemia, not universal in expressionist style (6)
- 24 Wife after bit of coupling in bordello (4)
- **26** Simon's chance encounter I'll abandon for possible primate once (6)
- **28** Shelter after rain's beginning, not the first for mowers (4)
- **29** Colt given a pill for equine swelling (8)
- **30** Time to visit theatre bar? Poet's even taking in leaflet (8)
- **31** Churchman abandoning work, a mistake (4)
- **32** Hated being confused, losing the point? What you'll find in the gods (13)

Down

- 2 Oleander hand hooped with end of osier, twined (11)
- **3** Without extremes of cunning, such a situation is hopeless (5)
- 4 Expert airman rising in foremost position, showing what's distinctive on wing tip (6)
- **5** Religious schools (hard to find!) were on edge? (7)
- **6** Jock's daughter's bairn holds record in science (5)
- 7 Pair of stipules wild sorrel has on inside (5)
- 8 One in automatic maybe making progress in Scotland (4)
- 9 I'm pressing about sort of weed that's coming up (6)
- 10 Quality of some cured meat from strain including American cattle (11)
- 11 Replace with another image gradually, mixed in Ford's case (9)
- 13 Roll in mud say, a berth that's slippery and too hot initially? (9)
- **18** Finger food primate dipped in preserves (7)
- 19 Holy scriptures: version thereof is Roman one (6)
- **20** Napkins to twist up (6)
- 22 Paddy, soaked, succeeded coming first (5)
- 23 Old snake may be in this cage (5)
- 25 Alms required endlessly see the old assemble (5)
- 27 Farmstead flourished as fed with this salt beef? (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 1, J i/c + J, in anag.; 12, cue (rev.) + a ryot + E; see etym. at cue; 14, 'orrid in cors(o); 16, ref. computer game & Publius Vergilius Maro; 17, c + it (rev.) in anag.; 18, i.e. s on tag = stag; 22, 'hewers'; 25, Ruta in ad (all rev.); 32, pom be(er); 34, area in anag. less I.

Down 1, jack = detective; 3, (a)cari ca.; 5, ref. Judd Trump, snooker star; 11, Ogen in anag.; 13, anag. with e for 0; ref. traditional shape of barley sugar sticks; 21, (i)t + Aberd(een); 26, hidden rev.; 27, comp. anag.

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