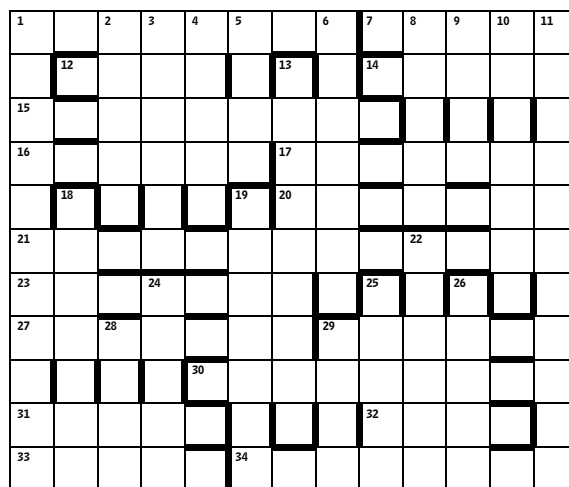


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### Across

- 1 They're free with their favours, delivering smackers (8)
- 7 Very powerful writings including one ending in tragedy (5)
- 12 Bird you probably won't see appearing regularly in the urinal (4)
- 14 One akin to goosefoot? It's found amid the alien corn (5)
- 15 Wild carnivore adapting to inn grub (9)
- 16 Bully once let off after unkind deed (6)
- 17 Mum's appearing in funny turns, anything but slick, ... (7)
- 20 ... Live, including muggins, hackneyed stuff, old hat (7)
- 21 Reactionary so-and-so from Norway earned terribly old German money? (13)
- 23 Salamis probably featured this meatier recipe, one cut (7)
- 27 Poultries straying (apart from pair inside) lay away from brood? (7)
- 29 Courses over I'll come to sudden enlightenment (6)
- 30 Completely covering cooking tin, wrong (9)
- 31 Whip applied round centre of bum – it's behind the saddle (5)
- 32 Native of New Mexico maybe, last character to attend advanced instruction (4)
- 33 Got the measure of little 'un bottling potential energy (5)
- 34 Energy to preserve? Torn about reverse of that, rarely holding back (8)

### Down

- 1 Constant in trust banco managed to outsource? (11)
- 2 Sally, maybe perky, judge released (5)
- 3 Placed Scotch cask to be opened by non-drinker, English (6)
- 4 'Little' girl in Rome played quietly above hall (5)
- 5 Travelling court to observe around king (4)
- 6 Muslim place housing converted nun (7)
- 8 Fashionable, but lacking some French – it mustn't be forgotten! (5)
- 9 Slices of sourdough inside munched after part of crust (4)
- 10 Sailors in service as once watched which way they rowed? (7)
- 11 When the sun last went down the view includes water bird (11)
- 13 Lady's maid getting money that's very little worked better (9)
- 18 Medicinal bark for each age, including one (7)
- 19 Discussion group remains disorganized (7)
- 22 Proud as before, old copper is on top of the facts (mostly) (6)
- 24 Do Americans use mallets for this? (Question digested by rake) (5)
- 25 Zemindar's fitted out men with this tailor (5)
- 26 Herd maybe accepts old dialect that's spread (5)
- 28 Attempt taking in old information from the US (4)
- 29 Sound unit, as it's said, worked with machine? (4)

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35	P	L	A	T	E	L	E	A	T	H	E	R

**Across** 1, anag. + Sting; 11, ne in deb; 15, E + verso; 23, darg (rev.) in ages; double = fold; 27, tiro in flan; 29, toot + oo; 32, i.e. anag. of a Gordon; 34, cf. music; 35, p + anag. x 2 + her.

**Down** 2, Hurling(ham), ref. London club; 5, d nil (rev.) in bed; 9, comp. anag.; bill = headland; 12, son in anag. + r; 18, song (rev.) in aia; 20, re + a + El Al (rev.); 24, anag. less rate.

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