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Across

- 1** Pallid, sad type trembles, accepting what happens mostly (10)
11 I'll present perfect cleavage anatomically in part (4)
13 Small swelling turning up in an earlobe (6)
14 Art forgery getting you reverse of short time (7)
15 Layer of humus not advantageous for fruit trees (5)
17 I shoot from behind piercing one boozy light horseman (8)
18 Bird offering sex behind bit of furniture (5)
19 Home of large bedroom furniture, finely wrought merchandise (4)
20 Line translated in successful exam result, easy (8)
24 Sausage? Individual leaves second tucking into minced pie (8)
25 Aged hound lost glow (4)
27 Daisy acting in long dress (5)
28 Musical part? One penned isn't too complicated (8)
30 Windows, round, belonging to the kitchen, half blacked out (5)
31 Solid bit of fat Arab served in mugful (7)
32 Brute's limping, hurt on hoof some time back (6)
33 Tenderfoot, reverse of godsend (4)
34 Aaron's converted and no longer bears name as part of old Jewish sect (10)

Down

- 2** See a cruiser in trouble round Australia? This may be called for (12, 2 words)

- 3** Copper replacing inner parts of strong shelter (4)
4 It's given to Alzheimer's sufferer, certain for treatment (7)
5 Dress with pedigree? It could cover embarrassment for many (7, 2 words)
6 Impressionist art? Flimsy, lacking initial power (5)
7 Edible bulb in cold pile (6)
8 Rising flatus with brownish outside? Its awful smell is misleading (6)
9 Treatment with chemical, foul spread in dividing portion (12)
10 Controlling nasty smell around flower (9)
12 Poet's rubbed out two thirds of scanning lines in set (4)
16 Horse a sap crazily fed with soft potato (9)
21 Second at top of club producing meaningless utterance (7)
22 Gassy substance that's put out on paper (7)
23 One presiding over golden age was model on vase (6)
24 Small beers just after getting stuck into meat pastries (6)
26 Ace? It's enough when one's despatched for nothing (5)
27 Great Scot, filled with love, enterprising (4)
29 Wherein Malay sailor's travel, characters regularly contributing to portolan (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2016) is recommended. 34 appears only, with several other words, at a separate entry whose headword is an anagram of ANADEM.

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Across 14, s/h astra(y); 20, alternate letters; 22, i.e. t as s makes some; 29, errant with nt for r; 31, e in anag.; 33, men in anag. less l.

Down 2, a + gami(ng); 6, hol(s) in scar; 8, see bender; 10, cf. barège; 18, E + r in tenné; 26, (O)utas(K); 28, O in zea(l).

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