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Across

- 1 Old church officer stirs uncomfortably before food's taken in (7)
- 6 Shakespeare's sign, once worth about 100 bucks (6)
- 11 Old breastplate, short, that is on the inside (6)
- 13 Havana, say, is violent with revolution (5)
- 14 Silvery deposit, see, radiant, flickering (10, 2 words, apostrophe)
- 15 Section of latex elasticating source of wool (5)
- 16 He's freed from example of one (capital punishment) (5)
- 17 Rani's drunk, stuck into wine; head follows – it's not lasting for long (13)
- 23 Rule e.g. fire out, on the dole? It's freezing (13)
- 25 Puts on record, yielding scratches? (5)
- 27 I tucked into one of the canapés – capital (5)
- 29 Job of announcer? He has worked hard with lisp (10)
- 30 Recorder missing first note? One's at sea, with prominent listeners (5)
- 31 Type size in fragments of early Latin comprising many lines? (6)
- 32 Turn over new leaf in bond? Tread softly (6)
- 33 Rib mistreated by old king making rebound (7)

Down

- 1 Indiscriminate splurge of threats received by Jock? (11)

- 2 Taxi service comes in time – best not to drive after visit here? (7)
- 3 Puzzle presented by roof supports, we hear (4)
- 4 With a smile I had stopping tear (6)
- 5 Wide-eyed, one breaks tape (7)
- 6 I like that (of some Chinaware being nicked)! Help! (4)
- 7 Old fools when about to throw up (6)
- 8 Leaders of Republican elite in grey perhaps, suited (6)
- 9 Five going en vacance, possibly – it's maybe seen twice (4)
- 10 Committee accepts motive, deserving ultimate punishment? (11)
- 12 Sprinter essentially conceals this former concern (9)
- 18 Gale sweeping e.g. Texas and not the Rand (7)
- 19 Job was such special work involving chief accountant (7)
- 20 Strike historically producing a very strong debate (6)
- 21 Lilo by being blown up like this means 'vigorously' (6)
- 22 Hypersensitive to allergy? Sunhat's essential on temperature control (6)
- 24 Fanciful hairy type? ––, harpy, possibly (4)
- 26 Low, without aspiration, displaying bitterness (4)
- 28 Straw evident in plaited coif (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 4, s caff RAF f; 12, RA in amis; ref. *The Three Musketeers*; 16, anag. in yr, & lit.; 18, (fla)utis(t); 22, p(OTT)y Roman + 1 Ac.; ref. legend of N's fiddling while Rome burned (on his orders); 28, anag. of alternate letters, & lit.; 31, CO + pious; 36, p in in terret.

Down 1, d yump in anag.; 6, m in anag.; 9, E in amort; 21, song (rev.) in hoe; 23, bir(d) (rev.) + let; 30, (h)ewer.

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