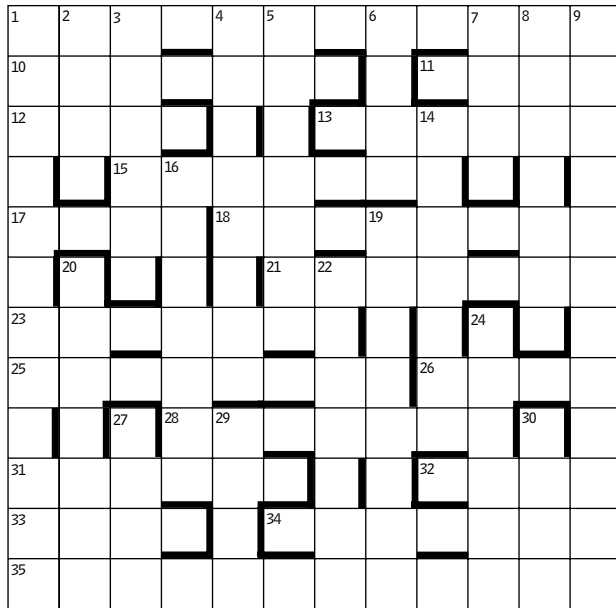


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ACROSS

- 1 Violent novels portraying charger in spirit (12)
- 10 Streaks in coal? Could be such sets, OK, when mined (7)
- 11 Pale, like a gannet that's deprived of half feed (4)
- 12 Aussie bird? A hearty sport, twice (4)
- 13 Edrich batting, a combative fellow of old (6)
- 15 Less hard work than a hammer? See chippy align one (7, 2 words)
- 17 Commoner section of people believe (giving his word contentiously!) (4)
- 18 Object in fur that can be shipped (8)
- 21 Not seated? *That* may be disturbing to one (7)
- 23 Die, peace replacing speech as part of honouring (7)
- 25 Investigation methods soon entering tangled gorse mostly (8)
- 26 Footballer from number kept in reserve (4)
- 28 Hush when foreigner comes in, striking (7)
- 31 Soup? Half of what it's in, left simmering, female ignored (6)
- 32 Steps formerly displaying charm if half cut? Exactly (4)
- 33 Like some drums? See one beside backing (4)
- 34 Small ship, obscure in a way before one joins company (7)
- 35 I'll acquire interest in estate ditch – general fell in? (12)

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P	H	E	N	G	I	T	E	S	G	A	D
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C	A	N	E	R	A	T	R	I	C	I	N
K	E	T	R	E	V	E	R	E	N	C	E

Across 1, anag. less a; 11, gad(get); 13, up + hero; 14, arid (rev.) + c; see D; s constant in C.; 17, r in Bisto; 19, a turn in Salla(n); 26, Fr. for Brazil; 27, I in ladie(s); 30, a pet in ti; 31, era in cant; 32, comp. anag. & lit.; 33 Ke(n)t; 34, enc. in (Paul) Revere.

Down 1, lumber in Pb + lock; 4, g, r + OK; 5, anag. less j; 7, girt (rev.) in SA; 9, cf. cedar; 10, dead ball line; 15, assailant; 18, bet in anag.; 20, d in II + cito (rev.); 24, ma + ear (rev.); 25, first letters; ref. G. Clemenceau, nicknamed 'Le T'.

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DOWN

- 1 Film editor cited poor crits hammered, i.e. rejected (12, 2 words)
- *2 Stopper (4)
- 3 Wealthy Springbok (*not* Habana) nearly ruined (6)
- 4 Amulet in metal is man-made (8)
- 5 Lacking bit at the end, like a disgruntled waiter? (7)
- 6 What gets Hindu trembling with fear – *this* fiend? (4)
- 7 Pointed bean appearing before end of July (4)
- 8 Are they pointless? Not quite, or not at all (7)
- 9 Crowning garlands worn irk eye badly in part of mass (12, 2 words)
- 14 Endlessly senseless hullabaloo ensuring good breeding? (7)
- 16 Rule circumvented by a copper keeping in line (7)
- 19 Ballerina? That's her in English habit (8)
- 20 Crafty poems about 'do' (as it was called) (7)
- 22 Like a US ferret I catch, brought up on fish (7)
- 24 I turn out with maiden free of ornamental extras (6)
- 27 Make a face when losing top card, depressing (4)
- 29 Face having to exchange portions in supermarket (4)
- 30 Rock-forming mineral, not for surfacing material (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended. It does not give one (possibly questionable) plural form