Crossword 16,936 Set by Mudd

ACROSS

- 1 Challenge old dog within confines of prison (6)
- **4** Patchier, blurred diagram (3,5)
- **10** Badly written list any good? (7)
- **11** Twenty-one boats forming bridge (7)
- 12 Sweet, dependable type (4)
- **13** Train affected by impact, surely (3,7)
- **15** Person in bed, one's been cured (6)
- **16** Pixie in good health (7)
- **20**Uninspiring peak for hat (4,3)
- **21** Sharp tool chopping up relics (6)
- 24 Very sore, having burned foot perhaps? (7,3)
- **26** Bird with rather exotic name, originally (4)
- **28** Swan trap catching head of unfortunate bird (7)
- **29** Fine novel ultimately put in binder (7)
- **30**Really upset about vacuous twit, not long ago (8)
- **31** Military flight in store, I gathered (6)

DOWN

- **1** Out awaiting delivery (2,6)
- **2** Chief belief, we hear? (9)
- **3** Middle bottle (4)
- 5 Rascal seemed crushed (8)
- 6 Prominent feature, tenor clef scribbled on top of desk (10)
- **7** Whiff in European capital, as the locals would say? (5)
 - 8 Article penned in temporary accommodation for paying resident (6)
- **9** Council somewhat busy, no doubt (5)
- **14** Spinner seeking money, questionable figure (10)
- **17** Repeating, concerned with wind (9)
- **18** Minor found near the border (8)
- **19** Brown beast circling trap (8)
- **22** Place of worship man left after end of service (6)
- 23 Light tie (5)
- 25 Wine to drink up (5)
- 27 Duck kept in freezer often (4)

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