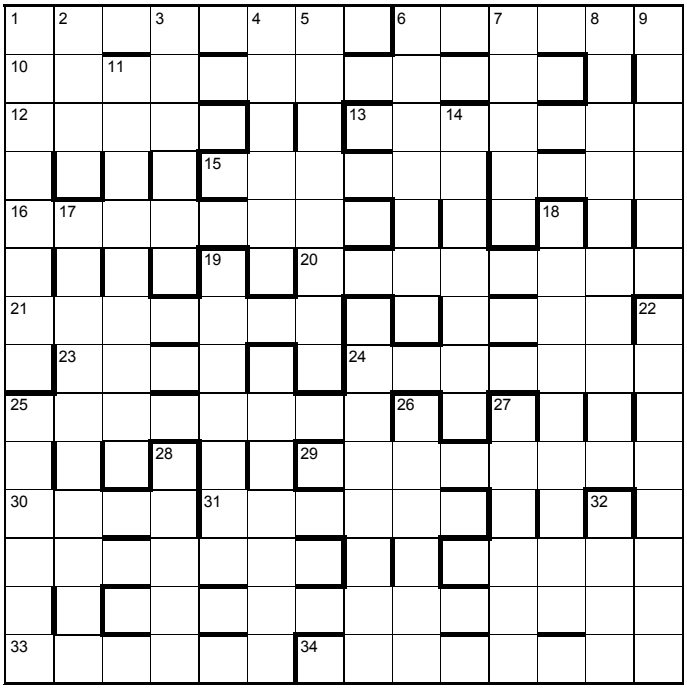
Herod on the Run by Algy



The 8 unclued lights between them contain 5 characters, two of them sharing a first name, which only appears in the grid once. Solvers will find that the letters of the name 'MATTHEW RIKKI BURNEY' can be used to fill the unchecked letters in the unclued lights. Chambers (2008) is recommended for all but proper names.

ACROSS

1,16 Mop! Dry us! (16, 3 words)
6 Hanging sweet-container - good natural one (6)
10 Indiscreet about maudlin topic (12)
12 Gas surrounding pipe overlays (5)
13 On the surface, collects bards so bewildered (7)
15 Dutch measure of French ardour (6)
16 See 1A
20 Notices about church computing back independent woolly bears (8)
21 Prostrate like pickled padre (7)
23 Absolutely running through centre stage (4)
24 Extremely idiotic entertainers have method where Axels are concerned (7, 2 words)
25 Marine home quarter like Hades (8)
29 Mr Garnett, I hear, with help, is confusing with soup (8)
30 No veteran in utility room (4)
31 Culminating film speed in electronic news gathering (6)
33 Take fish outside channel (6)
34 Values animal existences (8)

DOWN

1 Loony, lacklustre Liberals removed camping chair (8)
2 Articulate newsreader on Newsnight starts shortly (4)
3 Tribes disturbed underwater bait takers (6)
4 Cracked linoleum missing no ornament (6)
5 Blocks upturned school parking notices (8)
7 Stone woman buried in Iceni obelisk (5)
8 Deployed at the double, without uniform, at a fixed price (10, 2 words)
9 Back in Brussels, I arrange divisions (6)
11 Little boy is fool supporting day carrying no date (9)
14 Engineers with these riotous rages (7)
17 Unknown, compound time period in history (10)
18 Dark sentence for one who doesn't sing during the day (9)
19 Curse crude home-brews with no distinction (7)
22 Fool endlessly apprehensive in lanes (8)
25 Sozzled Steptoe, without quarter, fixed copper (6, 2 words)
26 American aspen quivering leads to breaks in breathing. (6)
27 Garment of skins is Arabic, old-style, in Kansas (6)
28 Once promised purloined letter (5)
32 Kantele, oddly, is a cloth covering (4)