Azed No. 2,413 Plain


## Name

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Across
1 With sub-zero temperatures around, start of winter unpleasantly close (7)
6 One bit of wreckage, wood floating helplessly (5)
10 One sort of tart or another, and the rest doing a turn outside (9)
11 Stop the race (4)
12 Something to revive libido by way of innate character dropping in (6)
13 Crafty fellow making troublesome woman stamp (8)
15 Something for the sandwiches went
steadily? Sounds like it (5) steadily? Sounds like it (5)
16 Move unsteadily, following drunk (4)
18 Time is pressing with red swelling (10)
20 Like French flag, splendid, held by trim CO, fluttering (10)
23 Hit the jackpot with 1,000 a Hit the jackpo
second? (4)
24 Former magistrate brought back hanging, hard at heart (5)
27 With year gone, I dye frizzy hair? Brown perhaps (8)
28 Ditsy teen, with another one only half besotted ( 6 )
29 Old-fashioned pen starts to splash the ink everywhere (4)
30 Fine quartz crystal suggesting Cupid's dart (9)
31 King with royal mistress? This marks one's passing (5)
32 Shakespeare's skili, an inexplicable phenomenon (7)

## Down

1 Old woman creating mouldy smell that holds operations up (7)
2 Carriage that's damaged in hartal left abandoned (5)
3 Smell worse than what pigs produce, Smell worse than what pigs
volume formerly inside (9)
4 One demonstrating bathroom appliance? (6)
5 Sluggish business receiving a right taunt (10)
6 Immigrants when receiving lega right (6)
7 Pad soaking in old dyestuff (4)
8 Steamer you'll find isn't under pressure as formerly (7)
9 Old vow - see me freed from the same when it's broken (5)
12 Ivy rampant round cedar l'll cut - record kept by camcorder? (10, 2 words)
14 Dart fired to wound etc he felt being smitten (9)
17 'Grand' French palace: king will be seen in it when erected, shortly (7)
19 Without mincing words, group gathered in enters Elysium (7)
21 Rainy day spent in deathly rambling (6)
22 Subway systems: put 'em in order, from below (6)
23 Pimple, what the most incompetent will fail to shift? (5)
25 'E mebbe deals in knitwear, such as goes into a basket (5)
26 Scottish set creating stir locally on loch (4)
The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

Azed No. 2,410 solution \& notes

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Across 1 , octaves; a vo + anag.; 7 , atoms; hidden; 13 , rinse; sire +n ; 14 , rentier; err in tine ${ }^{3}$; 15, pearl ash; anag. in heal; 17, thenar; ( $($ ) anther; 18, gaiter; air (rev.) err in tine ${ }^{3}$; 15 , pearl ash; anag. in heal; ; 17, thenar;; (p)anther; 18 , gaiter; air (rev.)
in anag.; 19 , alterne; enter + la (rev.); 20 , salter; tar + sel (Fr. $=$ salt); 22 , meatal;
 goliardy; anag. + lad (rev.); 32, tetanic; tat in nice; 33, typal; tin play; 34, least; s + tale; 35 , meander; man (rev.) in reed.
Down 2, Aragvi (Georgian river); a rag VI; 3, roar; ro + ar; 4, Pesach; hidden; title Gates; 8 , slattern, latter in Sn; 9 , ro; hr in tee; 6 , pearly gates; $p+$ early + ( (Bill) neat; hidden; 12 , self-slayer; 9 elf in SS ; 0 in rate; 10 , thairm ; hair in TM (qv); 11 , inate; a a gin in late: 21 , secret; sec + ret; 23 , Almain; lin amain; 24 , boatel; oat in bel; 26 , atria; a tria(l); 27 , score; c in sore; 29 , egis; $\mathrm{E}+\mathrm{GIs} ; 30$, mead; e in mad.

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