## Azed No. 2,550 Plain



## Across

1 My siblings are much older, and fatter,
spoilt, if kept in (12)
9 Extremes of lethargy with taking English in? With which Eng. Lit. students are familiar (6)
11 Saddle rug gallop turned hard (5)
13 Rocky height, scorched, I had avoided (4)
14 Diocesan office has installed cap from behind seat for clergy (6)
15 Thrust in unwelcome fashion battered 5 redoubt (7)
16 Suitable for disco? There's no charge 16 getting in morning and afternoon (5)
17 Cannon maybe? Hence e.g. fired
inside (4)
19 Fine linen fabric embroidered cathedral, eastern (10)
20 Now and then (rarely) husband's taken in by a little cajolery (10)
22 Very old woman making wrong turn (4)
24 Nimble Scottish woman dressed in loose gown, old (5)
26 Paunch? When it wobbles, bad sign (7)
29 Ensnared by misfortune, a senator feeling nervous (6)
30 Weed got with cash, ecstasy following (4) 31 Plain, as example where river enters it (5)
32 Ancient vow, what cardinal may describe when bound by his title? (6)
33 Acrobats accepting bumpy ride in utilities (12)

## DoWn

1 Vehicle wrongly trusted with colt in capable of crashing unprompted (12)
2 Commercial fleet from Florida laden with large amount (5)

3 Autocrat, Russia's leader in unusually natty clothing (6)
4 What Aussie must recognize during driving test, or have another try? (4) Tub with he or malfunction try? (4) foreboding upper sides' curving (10)
freor gupper
Work? Not just one will often be seen going after soap (5)
7 Like Scottish rink, requiring good cover (4)
8 Shrubby plant on river spotted rising after time, a real winner ( 12,3 words, apostrophe)
10 Decorative work, see, covering bishop's vestment (7)
12 About to behave lasciviously pinching woman's rear? Get a grip (6)
14 Needs to be treated about stroke, being in a bad way (10)
17 Edible fungus, slightly warm, in pieces (7)
18 Embroidered hanging in honour of prince (6)
21 Rich silk or woven tamise (6)
23 Who's worried re aim with this - a sommelier perhaps? (5)
25 Marriage venue? Sounds like I may be seeing to some chairs (5)
27 Defensive wall protected by some Berber militia? (4)
28 Tight head's feature (one of two) with name or number on (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. It does not give a sense referred to in 1 Across.

## Azed No. 2,547 solution \& notes

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Across 1 , bum blé (Fr. $=$ wheat); 6 , comp. anag. $\&$ lit.; 12 , ref. P. Villa ( 1878 1923), Mexican revolutionary general and politiciian; 17, comp. anag. \& lit. 27, sad in pee (p); 29, metic in anag.; 33, 'high' + anag. singer; 21, (s)equine(d); 22, no-side (rev.); 26, decal (rev.).

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