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Across

- 1 Scottish bum, placed askew – he drank heavily (9)
 7 Old master having something to get barbecue going? Not quite (3)
 11 Is Frodo's last burden what shows constancy in volume? (8)
 12 Very drunk, ultimately blotto as usual (6)
 13 Flimsy beachwear, one has seaweed stuck to one (5)
 14 Like waves on the rocks, or a bore (8)
 16 Salad ingredient, great with eggs around (7)
 18 Where soldiers were billeted in event alongside the fleet? (6)
 19 Hot stuff disowned by band, not pro (6)
 22 Those from the ministry putting work unit into nick once (6)
 23 Male interrupting girl playfully is offensive (6)
 24 Aegises deployed in historic blockade (7)
 28 Milksop receives X in liquescent manner (8)
 30 Like brands discontinued as part of main US trade (5)
 31 Wife on reflection to long for 2, 3 or 4? (6)
 32 Little old coin, Sun King's No. 2 on face (8)
 33 Party member sparing nothing in effort (3)
 34 Silt swirling with rains near on our roads? (9)

Down

- 1 Heads for forest under shady cover, dingy (4)
 2 Sheep roaming wild catches cow up in the manner of a mate (7)
 3 Sink out of use? Pleased when it's restored (7)
 4 It's familiar to refiners of silver, making it hard with generous coating (8)
 5 For best effect it requires keeping one's hand in? Blimey, I think not (5)
 6 Misguided pleasantry about Hussite's opening idealistic social centre (11)
 7 Aussie mutt or cat pinching last scrap from kitchen (4)
 8 Business from abroad and so new (5)
 9 Marine creature, live when caught by tail (8, 2 words)
 10 Nasty sores I twice got following menu? Result of eating bad food (11)
 15 Old philosopher, form of Stoic absorbing what's current in Cambridge (8)
 17 Way of working is undoing for police force abroad (8)
 20 Principals in theatre hit overwhelmed by claps? (7)
 21 Copy page in antique, its first (7)
 25 Foreign gentleman framed by Veronese, mounted (5)
 26 Wild flower, green and pale (5)
 27 A bit like Jaques's schoolboy, beginning to lick inside cone (4)
 29 Cry of pain let loose by nothing? (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

Azed No. 2,560 solution & notes

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Across 1, v(i)an(d) in sat; 14, s + tape dial; 15, 3 meanings; 17, hidden; ref. hooks and eyes; 32, anag. & lit.

Down 3, v lliac o; 6, sc a peg allows; 20, Aud(l) in cate (qv); 23, l + Y(O)ric(K); ref. *Hamlet*, 5, 1, 201.

Special announcement

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