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### Across

- 1 Get the better of, where love is involved? (5)
- 7 Trouble for the Scots mainly, undoing trust (5)
- 12 Grande passion, a trap for Jock with four involved (8, 2 words)
- 13 What'll make you go dizzy, knocked back? (4)
- 14 Ship's timber, fine bottom but not bow (7)
- 15 Drink cheers islander's beloved (5)
- 16 Boat people identifiable by a few short lines? (5)
- 18 Chapel: see one go here after church (7)
- 19 College swat learned laboriously – such a one? (12)
- 22 A little bit astray, he's inside – one won't be cured (12, 2 words)
- 23 Common time in composer, American, one associated with merrymaking (7)
- 27 Business, one that's died, parts reallocated (5)
- 29 Grand jug, feature of crest, purple (5)
- 30 Salt mostly delayed, caught in storm (7)
- 31 Guy, last of gang trailing those in front (4)
- 32 I got 'guttled' in drunken revel, being a liberal-minded person (8)
- 33 Tower, a feature of museum in Arabia (5)
- 34 Cancel from bequest a reward reversed (5)

### Down

- 1 I've strings, offering various introductions to Brad and Angelina Jolie (5)

- 2 Trebles I placed under of training of parson (7)
- 3 Dislodges judge removed from top of lists (5)
- 4 Cartel administered with energy and cajolery (7)
- 5 Ambitious climber, not on watch, about to freeze (12)
- 6 Like a strong gale, we'll be caught in turns with those at sea (12)
- 8 Painter Italy once rejected, a colossus (5)
- 9 Noodle, one that cook's captivated by (4)
- 10 Rachmanite, wretch trapping tiresome fool, see, had up (8)
- 11 Sweet wine: see message on gift to Katharine? (5)
- 17 Wife of prince he shuts in most of zenana with one (8)
- 20 See carpet in hall for what's spilt from salad bowl? (7)
- 21 Girl turned up in hat for husbandry (7)
- 23 What'll distinguish a woman abroad? For example being wrapped in sponge (5)
- 24 Source of vegetable oil, unknown in soft drink (5)
- 25 See one who wrote poetically of love, what few will have avoided (5)
- 26 Decorate with stones giving distinguished Turk a dash (5)
- 28 Depression that's unavoidable in singleness (4)

**The Chambers Dictionary (2016) is recommended. It does not give 25 (which most will get).**

## Azed No. 2,623 solution & notes

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**Across** 11, qua in anag.; 13, comp. anag.; 15, i.e. 'ate Coke'; 19, one + by (rev.) in hunch; 29, th(is) in basalt's; 30, st. s round Arles (where V. van Gogh lived at one time); ref. painting, 'The Starry Night'.

**Down** 1, vetch in ked; 7, as<sup>3</sup> in inch; 8, anag. + kines(l)s; 9, cf. geed; 14, 0 lie h in coat; 18, comp. anag. & lit.; 21, girt (rev.) in sa; 22, i.e. 'urinal'; 26, soli(d).

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