Azed No. 2,497 Plain

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1 Mrs with pride’s shown off during traditional bustle (13)
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11 Create embarrassment in adult party (5)
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16 An artist orders this facsimile in RA (4)
17 I’m surprised about Globe Theatre – it’s often full (5)
18 Taste of soup in ladle requiring herb (5)
19 Off-licence in Perth, say, preserves rent (11, 2 words)
23 Fish brought back just after being caught: bit of income for W. African (5)
25 Part of flowering plant most support with bit of twine (5)
27 God seen as inspiring part of scripture for canon (4)
28 E. Asian language inscription in Norman church (6)
29 Part of damaged icons with corrosion of metal parts (8)
31 Teasel may show fifty such (5)
32 Fish holding rod wrongly? Critics may differ about it (7)
33 Olga, Maria or Irina, head of operator’s back-up team? (13, 2 words)

2 Speech but not on outlying legal principle? (5)
3 Mining area in Cornwall and in Dorset (11) (4)
4 Sea quarry regularly culled? (5)
5 Cashlow – get a load of that! (5)
6 Furry garment? Pile’s wasted on bits of sham ermine (7)
7 Wherein vermin perish wretchedly, trap sprung over it (6)
8 Wrist protector, advantage when covering tense support (9)
9 Pet cups like this may have been mixed for the party (5)
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12 Turf-cutters’ tool – special course required (5)
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Across 6, anag. less i; 11, oy (rev.) + w + i.e.; 14, ill in gies; ref. Scotch whisky; 17, ports (rev.); ref. tradition of circulating decanter clockwise; 27, (t)issue; 29, EU n in rite; 31, KO + anag. less r; 34, par see.

Down 1, anag. + sticks; 3, loo (rev.) in dally; 4, comp. anag. less a; 8, pseudonym of Russian-born French artist/designer Romain de Tirtoff (1892-1990); 9, it + r in nous; 10, VR = Victoria Regina and virtual reality; 20, ho in earst; 25, r in bum + a; 23, f + anag. less 0; 26, (pi)stole(t).

Rules and requests

Azed No. 2,500
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