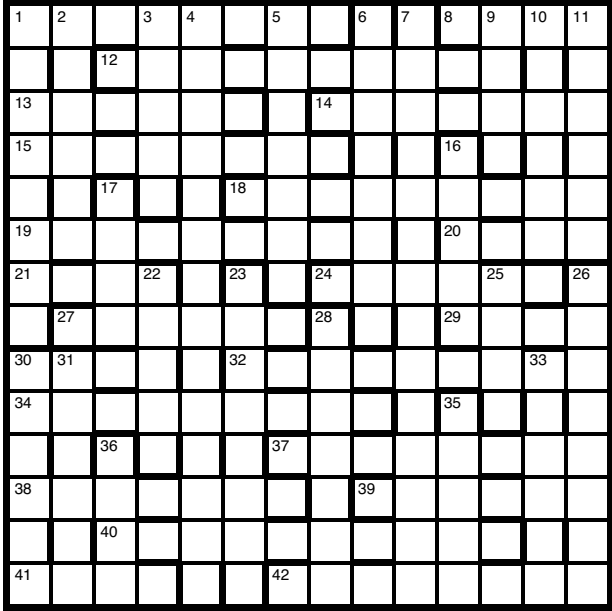


2762: Keys of the Kingdom
by Chalicea

The unclued lights are a small fraction of almost 800.

- Across**
- 12 Oilmen rail about petroleum product (7,3)
 - 13 Came across religious instruction chapter consisting of verses (6)
 - 14 Bleat including angry tirade for this plant? (7)
 - 15 Tea urns of Salvation Army medic, very apt resources, say, for starters (8)
 - 19 Et voilà! He's poetry in motion (3,6)
 - 20 Limit river level (4)
 - 24 Father informally taking in socially acceptable northern islander (6)
 - 27 Theatre alarms occasionally forbidden under Islamic law (6)
 - 30 Endless source of irritation for god (4)
 - 32 Medical specialist to bury benevolent creature with emotion at heart (9)
 - 34 Skilled worker, salesperson, and aviator (9)
 - 37 Tree feller's a civic dignitary (8)
 - 38 Wee juvenile with scruffy sty (7)
 - 39 Somewhat disdainful son, smelling awful (6)
 - 40 Join end to end quantities of cloth, final items (10)

- Down**
- 1 Upset Punjabi has memory that includes form of address (8)
 - 2 Cold period I endured initially in prison (3,3)
 - 3 Female cut short outsize income payments (5)
 - 4 Calvinist ruse I dismantled, tending towards doctrine of salvation for all (14)



- 5 Check incorporating originally missing bit of chair (7)
- 6 Be buoyed up around beginnings of abnormal tidal bore in this? (8)
- 7 Perkier ex-con we sorted out in training scheme (4,10)
- 9 Bone's dull snap after skinning (4)
- 10 Conductor's racket (6)
- 11 Incarnation of backsliding renegade, a vice-admiral (6)
- 16 Sudden attack, part of dramatic tussle (5)
- 17 Cooked many a bird (4)
- 25 A Chinese weight of a similar character (4)
- 26 Repeated expression of surprise about school's figure of speech (8)
- 28 Worried alto, GI with advanced ear problem (7)
- 30 Accepted beliefs, empty theories involving pity (6)
- 31 Bantu person, man with courage embodying energy and resistance (6)
- 35 Milton's monk's pan for cooking in oil (5)

36 Predict a star and constellation (4)

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