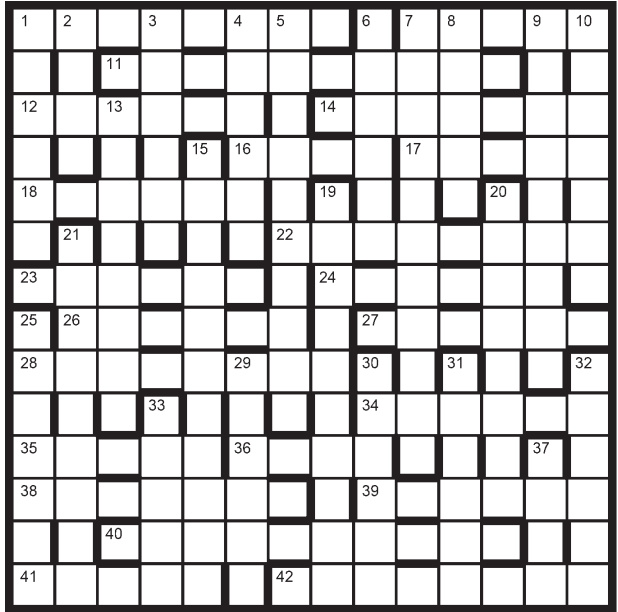


Summer dresses  
by *Fieldfare*

Unclued lights (two of two words) refer to works in the same genre by a closely associated pair.

- Across**
- 1 In store, old copper pipe (8)
  - 7 Moves swiftly, caught in foam (5)
  - 12 Woman claimed win after slimming (6)
  - 16 Evidence of wound almost frightening (4)
  - 17 Scots fabric, affectedly pretty line (5)
  - 18 Fool punches porky girl (6)
  - 22 A little pressure from jemmy dumping weight on motorway (8)
  - 23 Lecture now held regularly in Berlin, certainly (6)
  - 24 Why is match cancelled? Another drink! (6)
  - 26 Piece badly spoilt (6)
  - 28 Speck in slabs of glass that are blown (3-5)
  - 34 Being negligent, fail again? (6)
  - 35 About to secure good measure for the Chinese (5)
  - 36 Briefly clip African tree (4)
  - 38 Pick out one, then three consecutive notes (7)
  - 39 Short queue inside senior officer's hospital (6)
  - 41 Derogatory in arrogance about navy (5)
  - 42 Reminder to stock rice drink (8)

- Down**
- 1 Fit, appear back in school yard (6)
  - 2 Fairly big receptacle (4)
  - 3 Ready for Will to engage one minister (6)



- 4 I agree with a firm to take up playwright (6)
- 5 Mark strangely merciful in complex case (10)
- 6 Regularly taking one cereal, endlessly dreamy (6)
- 7 Stratagems involving fuss with beer gut (11)
- 8 Rail operatives picked up in major station (5)
- 9 Partners hand-holding in the trees (4,5)
- 19 In depravity, screen out going green (10)
- 20 Getting clean pardon? Not so (8)
- 21 Horse-cloth as trick draped over a Trojan hero (9)
- 25 Coxes welcome one that asks to join (7)
- 29 Position initially as lecturer gets a sort of vote (6)
- 30 Spinach substitute gives men pain (6)
- 31 Messages that may bring a smile (6)
- 33 Unrolled umbrella, taking coat out without being invited (5)
- 37 Small chaffinch in perfect condition (4)

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