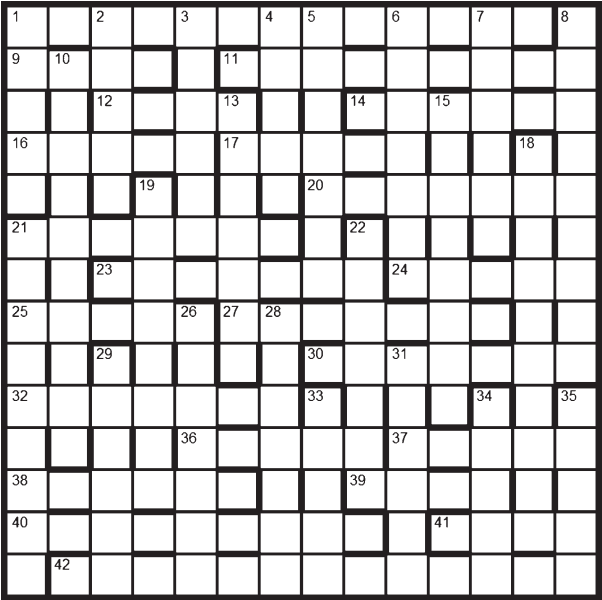


2562: Clear view
but no vowels
by Doc

The cryptic title of this week's crossword leads to a five-letter representation of the theme. The unclued lights include two pairs; one solution has three words and six others are of two words.

- Across**
- 9 Wood sorrel plants tangled in 11 (4)
 - 12 See 35 Down
 - 14 Arrive at a junction in a flurry (6)
 - 16 Intestinal condition involves some bile, usually (5)
 - 17 Educated woman consumes a cucumber dish (5)
 - 20 German short story portraying short month at women's magazine (7)
 - 21 Honour about six at counter (7)
 - 23 Hurtful commercial jingle (7)
 - 24 Palmettos seen from Tulsa balcony (5)
 - 25 Restaurant employee drops one drink (5)
 - 27 To economise is lacking all purpose (7)
 - 30 Drug increased paranoia, we heard (7)
 - 32 I repeatedly snore – sadly making more din (7)
 - 36 Fights which are probably rigged (5)
 - 37 Borrowing rate one pound a month (5)
 - 38 Lazy old couple housing sailor (6)
 - 40 Tom Cruise, extravagant dresser (9)
 - 41 Ancient civilisation's illusion (4)
 - 42 Car trader who circles and cuts (7,6)



- Down**
- 2 A lot may go when it falls (5)
 - 4 Man of note could break galley up intermittently (5)
 - 5 Cloaks from party with Cretan king (7)
 - 6 Month with birds in groups of eight (7)
 - 7 Communications from English men, we hear (1-5)
 - 10 One enjoying party sorted out rebel Croat (10)
 - 13 Review composition of pure wit (5,2)
 - 18 Flexible quality of priest with debt (10)
 - 22 Led up river free from vermin (7)
 - 26 New publication about children (7)
 - 28 It affects sheep, as price changes (7)
 - 29 Polish language, overheard (6)
 - 31 Travelling assistant in a gig (6)
 - 33 HM leaves dog in German city (5)
 - 34 London team spurned by Poles in the neighbourhood (5)
 - 35/12 Title of *Panorama* (5,4)

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