## **Crossword** 2688: 4 ÷ 4 = 8 by Doc

The unclued four-letter solutions can be paired in a particular way to form the four remaining eightletter unclued lights.

## Across

- 1 Burns searches thoroughly around Union Street (8)
- 5 Developed green, variable power (6)
- 10 Labour man's entertaining turn (5,5)
- 12 Irish backing chorister on Venetian bridge (6)
- 13 New tune outside? (5,3)
- 16 Account of help sent back to railway (5)
- 17 US cocktail that's pungent (7)
- 18 Sporting cry in match touch and go, finally (5-2)
- 20 Sunday crossword for Tom, Dick and Harry (8)
- 25 Stiff paper, way-out neckwear? (3)
- 26 Game of bridge (7)
- 28 Movie buff reviewed Cain set (7)
- 29 Lengthen in both directions (3)
- 31 Spa experience for others with French priest (4,4)
- 34 Attention to story run in the past (7)
- 36 Locates refined sugar (7)
- 39 Stealthy advance of cortege regulaly quiet (5)
- 41 Long and limp Scottish seaweed (6)
- 42 Measuring device at spa with parking machine (10)
- 43 Harley Street doctor no sharer of tea (6)

## Down

- 1 Tenor dear to the Italians around the States (6)
- 3 Floor and yard below shop (6)
- 4 Traps wriggling fish (5)

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- 7 Ripe apples are done in (5,2,4)
- 9 Huns leaving White Russian bewildered plant (8)
- Wandering errand-boy loses little brother in area of Belfast (7)
- 14 Verve of Patel annihilated (4)
- 16 God-given authority troubled Irving and Edith (6,5)
- 22 Gibbons does a send up (4)
- 24 Roller coaster sounds best aboard ship (7)
- 25 The heart of holy Adriatic port (4)
- 27 Bishop left crazy debutante and took up the slack (8)
- 30 Insinuation that Sri Lanka upset Richards, for starters(4)
- 32 French confectionery items may be tastier without one (6)
- 33 Five hundred trees, perhaps? Not here, surely?(6)
- 35 It turns round and round round! (5)

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