MEKEEKROE LEOO (DETECTIVE WORK) by Schadenfreude

Solution

The phrase is THE MEMOIRS OF SHERLOCK HOLMES which usually consists of eleven short stories. In clue order the encoded answers are (Stockbroker's) CLERK, (Final) PROBLEM, GREEK (Interpreter), YELLOW (Face), NAVAL (Treaty), REIGATE (Squires), RESIDENT (Patient), CROOKED (Man), GLORIA (Scott), (Musgrave) RITUAL, SILVER (Blaze). The encoded instruction is "HIGHLIGHT APPROPRIATELY THE GRID ENTRY THAT CAN BE PAIRED WITH AN ENCODED ANSWER". FACE was to be shaded YELLOW. CARDBOARD BOX is sometimes included as a twelfth story and Squires is sometimes replaced by Squire or Puzzle.
Clue Notes

ACROSS

1  EFEOO/CLERK  CL+ERK
6  ROEHFES/PROBLEM  ROBLE in P(ACKED)+M
12 INFUSERS  IN+F+USERS
13 EFTEST  E+FT+EST
14 SKIRRED  DERRI(C)KS<
15 EURO  2 definitions
16 REHANDLE  RE+HAN+LED*
17 ORARION  RA in O+NOIR<
19 OOEEO/GREEK  G+REEK
21 THEFEW  (L)EF(T) in THEW
22 MYSTIC  MY+ST+IC
24 ASLEEP  AS+LEE+P
30 EEFFEL/YELLOW  YELL+W<
33 HTOTF/NAVAL  VAN<+A+L
34 SHARPIE  SHARP(EI)
36 REAROUSE  OUS in REAR+(RAC)E
37 FACE  F+ACE
38 OEROTKE/REIGATER+IE<>+GATE
39 ROOTER  ROOT+ER
40 OECERMHEK/RESIDENT  TRIES* around (D+EN)
41 THREADY  [EARTHY+D]*
42 SOYAS  SO(N)YA+S(OW)

DOWN

1  EOEEOEM/CROOKED  R in COOKED
2  ENTRAPS  PARTNE(R)<+S
3  OFEORT/GLORIA  [O+GIRL+A]*
4  OUSTITI  OUST+IT+I
5  ESTRO  MAESTRO less MA(D)
7  ORKHTF/ RITUAL  TU in RIAL
8  HORNOWL  (OR+N) in HOWL
9  FARDEL  2 definitions
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<td>EYELETED</td>
<td>(E+TELE)&lt; in (E+YD)</td>
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<td>[SO+SMALL]*</td>
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<td>ME&lt;+PAT+H+Y</td>
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