Adalogical Ænigmas No. 57

Gentle solver,

I fear I dwell overmuch on this topic, but it seems to remain ever so *prominent* in public discourse, and I find myself unable to refrain from commenting. That topic, of course, is *walls*. Everyone, it would appear, is quite keen to build one, or to dismantle one, or to prevent one ever being brought into existence!

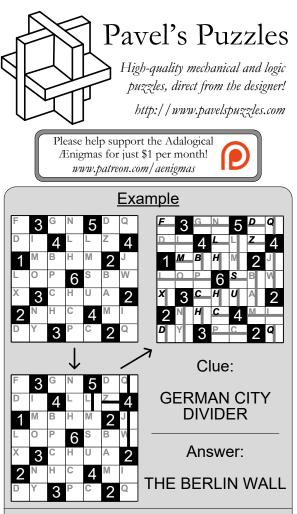
I find it truly *bothersome*, I must say, and the ænigma that follows is my way of working the subject free from the *valuable* space it would otherwise occupy in the interstices of my mind.

In the grid below, every single *white* square simply *must* build its own little segment of wall, either horizontally or vertically bisecting the square. As you can see, then, any adjacent colinear segments will naturally run together to form *longer* walls. Each number in a *black* square provides the sums of the lengths of all walls terminating at the borders of that square.

Once you have completed diagramming these partitions, you may move on to finding the final answer to my ænigma. Identify those squares that contain walls of length exactly *one*. At each such square, advance its letter *one* place in the alphabet (wrapping around from Z to A as necessary). Reading the resulting letters in left-to-right, top-to-bottom order will reveal a clue to your final answer.

Good luck!

Ata



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