



THE ROOM WHERE IT HAPPENS

*"No one really knows how the game is played,
The art of the trade, how the sausage gets made
We just assume that it happens
But no one else is in the room where it happens"*

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Not only does no one truly know what happened during the Dinner Table Bargain in 1790, but little is known about the planning that went into it. All we have to go on are Thomas Jefferson's stated claims (often abbreviated), Alexander Hamilton's calculated comments, and James Madison's guiding words. With only the **initial** information from their round table discussion, see if you can figure out which expert they took inspiration from.

The Meeting

TJ: "Here's a real revolution in session; bring utmost respect, gentlemen."
AH: "Every little element's valuable; encourage neatness."
JM: "Steak tartare and truffles: especially succulent."
TJ: "Come over, let us meet by usual spot."
AH: "Then we enter next to your terrace, hold right, enter expertly."
JM: "Remember, everyone views everyone; reserve seats equidistantly."

The Venue

JM: "Sure hope it's finished today..."
AH: "Fish; I feel that's every event's need."
TJ: "A lamb breast and noodles, yes?"
JM: "And next dine there, having exchanged neatly."
AH: "Everyone, let's each vote equally now."
TJ: "Basic organization: I seat everyone."

The Menu

The Seating
