

FOR MALDEN'S HOSPITAL.**Mr. Converse Offers to Give \$5000 More
Conditionally.**

MALDEN, March 23.—The trustees of the proposed Malden hospital met in the aldermen's room this evening, Mayor Wiggin presiding. The committee on building submitted plans for a stone structure comprising a main building and two wings. The estimated cost is \$32,000, and the plans show a very slight structure. The committee on raising funds have collected \$20,000 and Hon. E. S. Converse gave \$15,000 and the land.

Hon. L. L. Fuller stated to the trustees that it would cost \$3000 to grade the grounds and for laying water pipes, so that there would be no funds left to furnish the hospital. He was in favor of finishing the building and then raising more money to furnish it.

Mayor Wiggin stated that he had received a communication from Hon. E. S. Converse to the effect that he would give an additional \$5000 towards furnishing the hospital providing an equal sum is raised by the people of Malden.

Rev. Dr. Wilcox spoke strongly in favor of having the main building erected at a cost of \$20,000, so that there would be money enough left to furnish and maintain it.

Mr. W. B. de las Casas was in favor of collecting the necessary \$5000, and believed that it could be done within a month by having each one give a small sum.

Mrs. D. G. Copeland stated that she didn't believe any more money could be collected at present, as the people were given to understand that the \$35,000 already raised was sufficient to finish and furnish the building.

Mrs. Florence E. Barker thought that the building ought to be completed according to the plans, and that more money could then be raised to properly furnish it.

City Solicitor Wellman favored Dr. Wilcox's scheme and wanted to see money enough left to meet the running expenses of the hospital, which he had heard would cost \$5000 a year.

As there were only half the trustees present it was voted to adjourn until next Wednesday evening, when some definite action will probably be taken.