Oxford and Cambridge. Vacant, by the happy translation of Dr Donald MacAlister to the Principalship of Glasgow University, this College, as guardian of the trust, has decided to change the lectureship to an annual lecture to be called after the name of the founder. That you, Master and Fellows of St John's College, should have asked one from Linacre's University to give this first lecture manifests in the sons of the prophets the old courtesy of the fathers. In the choice of a subject you will all agree that on the occasion of such a radical change a review of the life and works of the Founder is most appropriate, and here duty and inclination meet, since it happens that for some years I have been interested in both.

What we know of the early years of Linacre may be told in the brief sentences of Freind, "Canterbury gave him his birth (1460) and