

Editor's Note

I must apologise to you for the absence in this issue of my Editor's Notes and Church History Survey. I was beginning to write up the latter when severe pain in my left wrist made it impossible to type any more than a few lines. As the result I have been unable to finish the two pieces I intended for this issue. I plan to include them in the autumn issue. In the meantime there is much in the present issue of interest. There is something of a missional theme. The articles by Daniel Webber and Leonardo de Chirico had their origin in the 2006 conference of the John Owen Centre when the theme was Mission in Europe. Stephen Clark's review of books by Richard Dawkins and Alistair McGrath reminds us of the challenge of the new atheism. Bill Nikides' review of Christopher Wright's new book on mission should inspire you to read the book itself which I warmly recommend. We must never forget that theology is fundamentally missional in nature and should help the church in its task of proclaiming the grace of God to the nations.