



CONSTANTINE
AT ROME
IN 312

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In his *Ecclesiastical History* Eusebius described a statue of Constantine at Rome. This statue was erected during the emperor's visit to the capital from late 312 to early 313. Eusebius interpreted the statue as another indication of Constantine's promotion of Christianity. In fact, the statue was most likely dedicated by the senate and represented an attempt to integrate a frontier emperor into the traditions of Rome. Eventually many statues of Constantine filled the landscape of Rome, most dedicated by the senate or individual senators.

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