

**GROWTH OF CHURCHES IN 1905.**

Roman Catholics Made Largest Net Gain, Episcopalians Highest Rate.

Some figures on the relative strength and growth of the various Churches of the United States are given by Dr. Carroll in the Christian Advocate.

In the year 1905 total number of communicants was 31,148,446, a net gain for that year of 519,156. This membership was distributed as follows: Roman Catholics first, with 10,785,496, net gain 192,122; Methodists second, with 6,429,815, gain 101,892; Baptists come third, with 4,974,047, gain 72,667; Lutherans fourth, with 1,841,346, gain 51,580; Presbyterians fifth, with 1,723,871, gain 26,174; Disciples of Christ sixth, with 1,235,294, gain of 1,428; Episcopalians seventh, with 827,127, gain of 19,203; Congregationalists eighth, with 687,042, gain, 13,321; Reformed (Dutch and German) ninth, with 405,022, gain 4,021.

The percentage of gain is interesting, for the largest denominations are not, except in the case of the Methodists, enjoying the same rate of growth as some of the smaller ones. In their percentage of increase they stand in this order: Lutheran, .028; Episcopalians, .028; Congregationalists, .019; Roman Catholics, .017; Methodists, .015; Presbyterians, .015; Baptists, .014; Reformed, .008; Disciples of Christ, .001.

The large rate of increase of the Lutheran denomination may be partly accounted for by immigration.

Methodists and Baptists are doing most for the negro of the South and are very strong in that section. The Baptist growth in the North, where they number 1,075,833, was but 4,864; but the Methodist Episcopal Church North, 2,910,779 strong, had a growth of 62,847.

**Old Roman Recipes.**

Women of ancient, luxurious Rome used to eat parsley as a mouth cleanser. Honey boiled in wine and aniseed was also a sweetener of the breath and pastils of myrtle were employed for the same purpose. Silver tongs and knives were employed in caring for the nails. No woman of social eminence cut her own finger nails; those who had not skilled slaves employed barbers. Perfection in these respects was one of the thirty beauties attributed to Helen of Troy. Great pains were bestowed on the feet, for it was considered that the breeding was betrayed by them as easily as by the hands. They were always much in evidence, the sandals worn not hiding them. Long, tapering fingers were highly prized. Various kinds of herb decoctions were employed to beautify the fingers. Pliny gives recipes for removing any undesired substances from the nails.

Asses' milk contributed to the whiteness of the women's skin. It was sometimes poured into the bath and the whole body laved in it and sometimes the hands and face were sponged with it from a silver basin, the soft linen towel completing the process. The hair was delicately scented and all kinds of washes and burnishes were applied to it. It took many slaves to bring the tresses into the classic bands or high pyramids which were the fashion at various times. Perfumes were not only applied to hair, hands, clothes and the person generally, but pervaded the rooms, which were hung with garlands and decorated with blooms of many kinds. The dresses of Roman matrons were made brilliant with various processes of pressing and smoothing, machines being employed for the purpose.

Though most refined in the duties of the toilet the women of that day were barbaric in their cruelty. Woe be to the poor slave who failed to follow her mistress' command; she was whipped by the public flagellator if she did not fall a prey to the personal fury of her mistress, who would hurl at her victim the mirror or anything else at hand and would not disdain to pierce her tender flesh with the long ever-ready hairpin if nails teeth and hands were not sufficient.

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**Memento of Whaling Days.**  
A curious memento of the whaling industry of Monterey in Mexico remains in the pavement leading up from the street to the west door of the San Carlos de Borromeo, one of the churches founded by the Spanish missionary fathers, and is still in excellent repair.

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The spider ought not to be regarded as an enemy to mankind, for it does a great service as a destroyer of insects. The speed with which it can gobble up a house fly is amazing. It has been calculated that a man, eating at the same rate as a spider, would require "a whole fat ox for breakfast, an ox and five sheep for dinner, for supper two bullocks, eight sheep and four hogs, and, just before retiring, nearly four barrels of fresh fish." It is, however, a wasteful feeder, and often only sucks the juices of its victim, discarding the more solid parts.

**Some Russian Proverbs.**  
Here are some proverbs commonly on the lips of the people of Russia: When the thunder ceases the peasant forgets to cross himself.

A man needs only not to be a cripple or a hunchback to be accounted a handsome fellow by the women.

Even an old man can win a woman's love and keep it if he isn't jealous.

When the devil cannot arrive in time, he sends a woman on before him.

Praise your wife, not three days after the wedding, but three years after it—if you can.

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