

An. Christi
828.
Sanctus
Nicepho-
rus.



NYCEPHORVS .

HAving drawne the pictures of so many famous Fathers , eminent in the Church for their piety , sanctity, and learning , it is necessary *leviter tantum vitam S. Nicephori adumbrare*, lightly to shadow out the life of St. *Nicephorus* ; for indeed , what praises can reach the height of his perfection ? who like a bright lampe of learning and of religious life , shined forth in the Horizon of the Church in the yeare 840. for then he lived in his brightest lustre, like the East starre, leading both the vulgar by his Doctrine, and the wise men by his writings to the knowledge of *Christ* : for *sapientes faciunt & loquuntur*