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Florentia nobiliſſima ⁊ inclita ac primaria vrbiū ethrurie. Eius origo referꝛ in ſillanoꝝ militum (quibus is ager a ſilla aſſignatus fuit) aduentū. Et quia primas illi ſedes ad arniſluenta ceperūt fluentiam inde primo dictam volunt. Et quidem plinius apud quem primuz eius loci mentio facta eſt fluentinos dicit: ꝓfluenti arno appoſitos. Uenerunt vero hi milites ad annuz condite vrbis rome ſexcenteſimū ⁊ ſeptimū ſupra ſexageſimū. vnde iniciū habuiſſe videꝛ florentia ante chriſti dei noſtri aduētum annos circiter octogintatres. Condita igiꝛ fuit florentia ex feſulanis ad ripas arni fluuij: ⁊ priſci homines fluentiā vocauere. Que cū auſpicijs fundata felicibꝰ vicinas ꝑ circuitū ciuitates excellere: miriſqꝫ modis imperiū ꝓpagare cepiſſet Florentia longe melius qꝫ fluētia dicta eſt. Multis ea ciuitas ꝑ Gothorum tempora incōmodis agitata eſt. Totila enim eam immunitā ⁊ deſolatā fecerit. Quā karolus magnꝰ inſtaurare fecit: maioreqꝫ ambitu menibus circūdedit. Et digniſſimis priuilegijs ⁊ magiſtratibus decorauit. Itaqꝫ florentia acceptis vi ⁊ in ſe populariter traductis feſulanis ad annū ſalutis quartū ⁊ vigeſimū ſupra milleſimū plurimū opibus ⁊ gloria eſt aucta. Quo item anno Heinricus primus impator eccleſiam ſancti Miniatis ad muros florentie edificauit. Ex eo fere tpe ꝑ priores artiū ⁊ vexilliferos iuſticie ſicut nūc fit gubernari cepit. Preterea in vrbe p̄ter reliqua ornamenta incredibilia baſilica inſignis ⁊ ſtupendo opis fornice eſt ornata: glorioſeqꝫ virgini dicata. Et quarto abinde anno pallaciū item ſupbiſſimū quod inhabitant priores edificari cepit. Quinto poſtmodū anno ſcꝫ. 1 0 7 1. ꝓductū eſt pomeriū: ⁊ menibus vrbs eſt ampliata: ⁊ ripis fluminis vltra ſacros diui Laurentij edes ꝑpetuo ambitu deducta. Turris vero marmorea inter ceteras orbis campanarias ſpecioſa ad annū inde primū ⁊ triceſimū excitata. Ibi p̄curſoris index maxima in veneratione habeꝛ: ob cuius honorē edes p̄clariſſima in celebriori vrbis loco

dicata habeꝛ: quā baptiſteriū dicunt. Cuius value ex ſolido ere exiſtunt: vbi noui ⁊ veteris teſtamenti hiſtorie inenarrabili oꝑe ſculpte habenꝛ. Florentia cū omni italie ciuitatū flos nuncupeꝛ: etiā p̄ter pulchritudinē ⁊ ciuiū vrbanitatē: viros quoqꝫ in omni genere virtutis p̄ſtantiores habuit. Duobuſqꝫ poetis ornata fuit. Dante Aldegerio ⁊ Franciſco petrarcha. Quoꝝ hic patre florentino ſed exule apud aretiū natꝰ ⁊ arquade inter colles euganeos mortuus ac ſepultus eſt. Ille florentinis parentibꝰ florētie natus. obijt Rauenne patria exul. Paulopoſt iotum habuit pictorē celeberrimū apelli equiꝑandū. Habuit quoqꝫ accurſiū iuriſconſultoꝝ principe: qui ius ciuile egregie interp̄tatus eſt. Reddidit ⁊ medicū Tadeū omnium clariſſimū. Ornataqꝫ fuit coſmo mediceo quē opum affluentia humanitate ⁊ liberalitate ſuꝑantem ciues europe celebrem reddūt. Cumulantqꝫ eius felicitatē filij ſui ⁊ nepotes qui florentie vrbi plurima addiderunt ornamenta. Monaſteriū p̄cipue celebre ſancti marci in quo pulcherrime extructiones ⁊ bibliotheca q̄ alias ſuꝑat oēs: eius viri ſummi magnificentiā oſtendūt. Et priuate eius edes in via lata extructe romanoꝝ opibus comꝑande. Florentiſſime aūt vrbis originē geſtaſqꝫ res abuude complexus eſt Leonardus aretinꝰ. Secus florentinā feſula vrbs vetuſta ⁊ multoꝝ ſcriptis p̄ſertim Saluſtij ⁊ Liuij celebrata interijt vel vt ſup̄ in florentiā populū opeſqꝫ mutauit. Ex cuiꝰ montibꝰ qui ad orientē vergūt Munio torrēs oriꝛ florentina abluēs menia: florentinā vrbem diuidit arnos amnis pontibus in ea quatuor magni opis iunctus. Uallem arni ſuꝑiorē qua nullā habet: nūc ager florentinus: vini optimi feraciorē quātū ꝓfluēti arno appoſita planicies ambit fuiſſe paluſtrē aiunt. Cōmendanda eſt multis in rebus florentinoꝝ ꝓuidentia: tum maxie qꝺ eligēdis cancellarijs que oratoriā ſpectāt: ⁊ q̄ vocāt humanitatꝭ ſtudia ꝑitos acceptāt: vt Leonardū ⁊ carolū aretinos Poggiū: ⁊ an̄ eos colluciū q̄ ſcribēdi dictādiqꝫ artē diſertiſſime tradiderūt.