



# THE NEW BOOKS



## FAR SOUTH IN FICTION

Lovers of the old-fashioned leisurely novel rich in naïve descriptions of food and clothes and customs, the novel that takes time to reveal personalities and the interaction of many lives, should read *El Supremo*, A Romance of the Great Dictator of Paraguay, by Edward Lucas White. The dictator, called "El Supremo," was Don Jose Gaspar Rodriguez de Francia, who reigned over Paraguay from 1813 to 1840, one of the most remarkable men of the age in which he lived. Mr. White has enriched our literature by giving us this absorbing account of the man as history and legend show him, of his court and the plots and conspiracies that surrounded him. Poniards in the hands of temperamental gentlemen and ladies flash thru the story and punctuate the piquant and fascinating conversations of the dictator with his young American friend, William Hawthorne. This novel is one to read all day and all night until it is finished.

*El Supremo*, by E. L. White. E. P. Dutton & Co. \$1.90.

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