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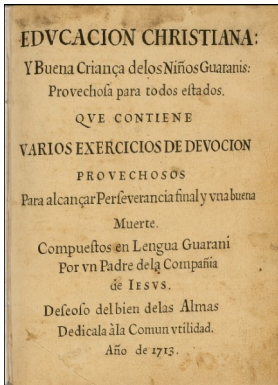
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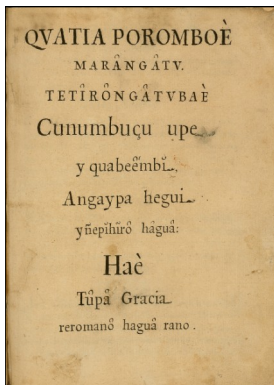


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Title page in Spanish of *Educacion Christiana*, 1713.



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The John Carter Brown Library is proud to announce the acquisition of an important manuscript produced in the Jesuit missions in Paraguay in 1713.

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