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During my stay at the Cape and here
I examined the Troops with some degree of
attention, the Men, Frenchmen and Spaniards
are fine looking fellows, but the Spaniards are
as Superior to the French in discipline as the
latter are to the former in clean lines, never
have I seen Troops fix & Manoeuvre better than
the Spaniards, they are ever on the Parade and
Employ'd "

You may depend on a blow
being immediately to be struck by the Span^d &
and Americans against Bermudas, the
latter complain much of the interruption
of their Trade this Summer, they say their
Trade has suffered more this Year, from
English Cruizers, than during the whole course
of the War, God increase their confusion. They
are particularly exasperated against the
Bermudians;