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Poètes d'Angleterre , a fait une
peinture des Isles *Bermudes* , qui
rappelle les plus délicieuses idées
du Paradis terrestre. » Qui ne
» connoît pas , dit-il , ces Isles
» heureuses , (*a*) où croissent des
» limons d'une grosseur énorme ;
» où le fruit des orangers surpas-
» se celui du Jardin des Hesperis-
» des ; où les perles , le corail ,

(*a*) Bermudas wall'd with roks , who does
not know ,

That happy Island , where huge lemons
grow ,

And orange trees , which golden fruit do
bear

That hesperian gardens boast of none so
fair.

Where shining pearls , coral , and many à
pound

On the rich shore of ambergrease is found :

The lofty cedar , which to heaven aspires ,

The Prince of trees , is fuel for their fires ,

The smoack , by which their loaded spit
do turn ,

For incense might on sacred altars burn ,

Their private Roofs au odorous Timber
born ,

Such as might palaces for kings adorn , &c.

Waller's-battle of summer's Island.