

RENTIS

sit on the shore and beneficently survey the spectacle presented by their sons and quietly see to it that the harbour remains secure.

In a period of economic difficulty, it is doubly hard to steer an unerring course. And yet there are a number of such bold and skilled seafarers. There is the Underground Railway, there are various railway lines, Jaegers' clothing, Shell Oil Co., — just to mention a few which are internationally familiar names.

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Prentis does not stop at the advertisement or the poster. His signlanguage of the clean, strong line follows the buyer of a de rss, a ticket or whatever it may be, on his way through the streets of this great city. He succeeds in bringing the hasty passer-by to a halt just in front of his

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simplicity which always dominates Prentis' thoroughly impulsive manner of designing. This impulsiveness is a basic characteristic of young England. It may seem most un-English to the stranger after all he has learned about the country from comic papers and travellers' one-sided observations. Everywhere we see the manifestations of this fresh and vita spirit: in the social life of young people, in sport, in the fashions and in all forms of activity. Above all, it is present in art, which the older Englishman regards with that mixture of admiration and reverence peculiar to the Anglo-Saxon. Especially in art and fashion, there is scarcely another people which sets so many bright-colored, dainty and daring ships a-floating in the peaceful and spacious haven

of century-old dogma. The elders



means prawns - but is also aware that Roast-Beef- and -Yorkshire means a satisfactory meal . . . Who knows that Claret is best with an early pheasant and Burgundy with a late - but finds coffee-stall coffee at two in the morning superb with a saveloy . . . Who goes to the Grand Opera because he likes music - and not because opera is grand ... Who can have his flat furnished by Djo-Bourgeois, without thinking Sheraton dull - and appreciate a Renair while still admiring Rembrandt . . . Who will wear his silk hat as a matter of course - neither looking as if he is off to a wedding nor coming back from a funeral. In the way a silk hat is made to be worn - as naturally as a smile.



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