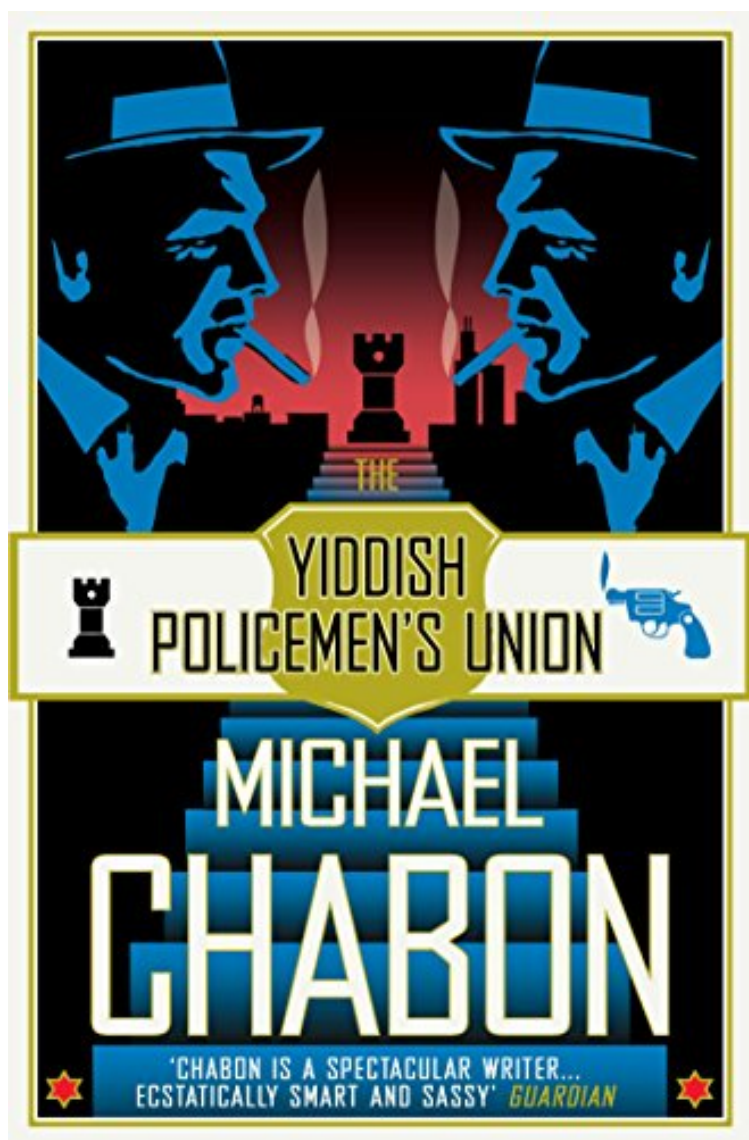


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Yiddish Policemen s Union plays the delicate, infinitely complex game of fiction fairly: this place is so vividly imagined you practically need a parka and a prayer shawl to get from one page to the next, but it s also blatantly impossible, and that s its saving grace. It s a welcoming homeland for imaginary people which is all fiction is, anyway. But this novel slowly, movingly allows at least a couple of its imaginary denizens,

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