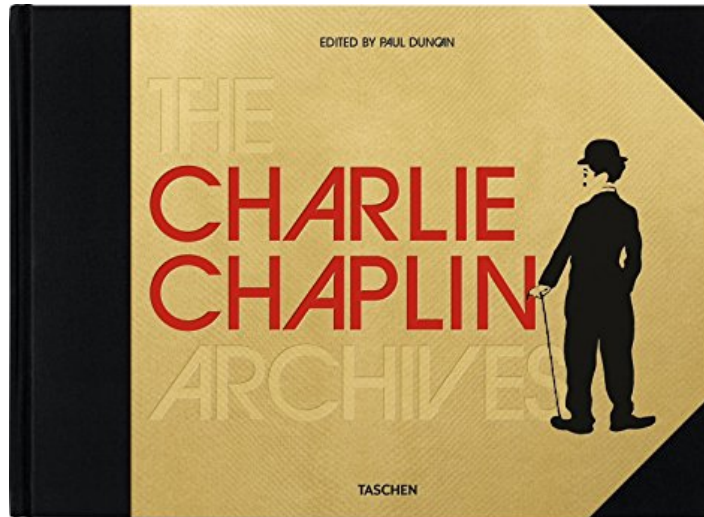


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Brilliance in a bowler hat: Delving into the archives of slapstick genius

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