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Chandler on detective fiction

From **The Simple Art of Murder**, an essay on the genre:

- “There are no vital and significant forms of art; there is only art, and precious little of that.”
- “The average detective story is probably no worse than the average novel, but you never see the average novel. It doesn’t get published.”
- “The English may not always be the best writers in the world, but they are incomparably the best dull writers.”

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