

Re: Converting a list join to a scaler/string

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sdfgsd wrote:

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> "Anno Siegel" <anno4000@lublin.zrz.tu-berlin.de> wrote in message
> news:bod111$2$1@mamenchi.zrz.TU-Berlin.DE...
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>>sdfgsd <footnipple@indiatimes.com> wrote in comp.lang.perl.misc:
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> <snip>
>
>>>The comma could not be stripped from the string produced by the join
>>
>>Of course not. Remember how you built the string? The parts were
>>
>> my @quoted = map {"$_", ""} @fields;
>>
>>These all end with a comma *and a blank*, and so does the joined string
>>you build from them. No mystery at all.
>>
>>Anno
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> OH Jeez!! Thanks.
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Now that you've stated you're trying to build SQL, there are better ways to do what you want. Read a few of the many articles at:

<http://www.perl.com/search/index.ncsp?sp-q=dbi&submit=Search>

For instance:

<http://www.perl.com/pub/a/2001/03/dbiokay.html>

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my $fields = join(', ', @fields);
my $values = join(', ', map { $dbh->quote($_) } @formdata{ @fields });
my $sql = "INSERT into $table ($fields) values ($values)";
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Can also use placeholders, and not have to worry about calling quote directly, to make things even nicer. That's also covered in that article.