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  - *Date:* Wed, 31 Jan 2007 11:59:33 +0800
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Hi,

The error happen on the line to connect to that database:

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$lda = &ora_login('PPCD@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx','dlbest')
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If I add "or die \$ora\_errstr" on the same line, it returns error below:

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$lda = &ora_login('PPCD@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx','dlbest') or die $oraerrstr;
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(UNKNOWN OCI STATUS 1804) OCIInitialize. Check ORACLE\_HOME and NLS settings etc.

at /oracle/app/http/dl/web/cgi/eppcd/ppcd\_approval\_ora.pl line 33.

I have set ORACLE\_HOME and NLS env string on top of the perl script, but still getting the same error.

This script is working fine I located the script in same server as the database.

Please help.

Thanks a lot.

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Subject: RE: Can't call method "prepare" on an undefined value

Chong,

I am not a web programmer, but I see some things I would definitely fix in your program:

1. You should always 'use strict;' and 'use warnings;' – it will help you find things like this.
2. You should always check your statement handles after all calls (`ora_open()`).
3. You should always use bind variables to avoid SQL injection.
4. Line #92 looks suspicious to me – shouldn't there be two "\n" characters to avoid the "premature end of script headers" error (see [http://htmlfixit.com/cgi-tutes/tutorial Common Web dev error messages and what they mean.php](http://htmlfixit.com/cgi-tutes/tutorial/Common_Web_dev_error_messages_and_what_they_mean.php))?

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From: Chong, Wei-Ling [<mailto:Wei-Ling.Chong@xxxxxxx>]  
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Subject: Can't call method "prepare" on an undefined value

Hi, I have one oracle database located at server A and setup the Oracle HTTP Server at Server B. Both server are Solaris server. I have installed DBI and DBD into Server B and setup the oraperl in my perl script.

When I run the perl script, I am getting error:

Can't call method "prepare" on an undefined value at  
/oracle/app/http/product/OA

S10.1.2.0.2/perl/lib/site\_perl/5.6.1/sun4-solaris/Oraperl.pm line 121.

[Tue Jan 30 16:39:26 2007] [error] [client 165.204.172.185] [ecid:  
1170146365:16

5.204.178.123:1213:0:7,0] Premature end of script headers:  
/oracle/app/http/dl/w

eb/cgi/eppcd/ppcd\_approval\_ora.pl

It works fine when the oraperl is located same server as the database. I search through internet and it might due to connection string problem. I am able to sqlplus to this database in Server B: sqlplus  
ppcd@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Attached is my perl script. Is there any error on my oraperl code?

Please help, very appriate.

Thanks.

Best Regards,

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