

# ChangeDetection.io Path Traversal

[GitHub - dgtlmoon/changedetection.io: The best and simplest free open source web page change detection, website watcher, restock monitor and notification service. Restock Monitor, change detection. Designed for simplicity - Simply monitor which websites had a text change for free. Free Open source web page change detection, Website defacement monitoring, Price change notification](#)

There's a path traversal issue in changedetection when an external webdriver is used. In this example the path traversal is retrieving the file from the webdriver container, however in production this is likely to be deployed on the same server as changedetection or other resources with potentially sensitive information.

The root cause is the payload `source:file:///etc/passwd` passes the regex [here](#) and also passes the check [here](#) where a traditional `file:///etc/passwd` would get blocked

## Setup

Run two containers following the [wiki](#) instructions to enable a webdriver for more dynamic web pages:

### 1. Start WebDriver Container

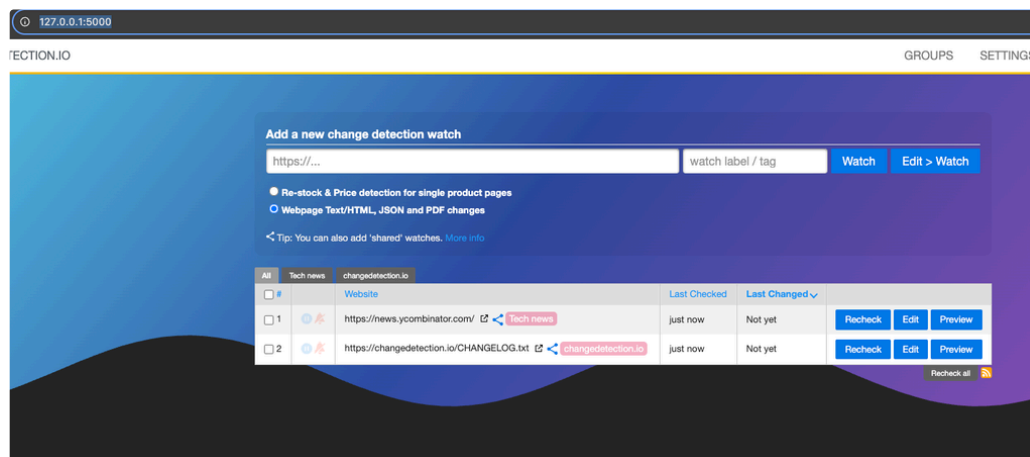
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1 docker run --name selenium --restart unless-stopped -p 4444:4444 --shm-size="2g" selenium/standalone-chrome-debug:3.141.59
```

### 2. Start changedetection.io Container

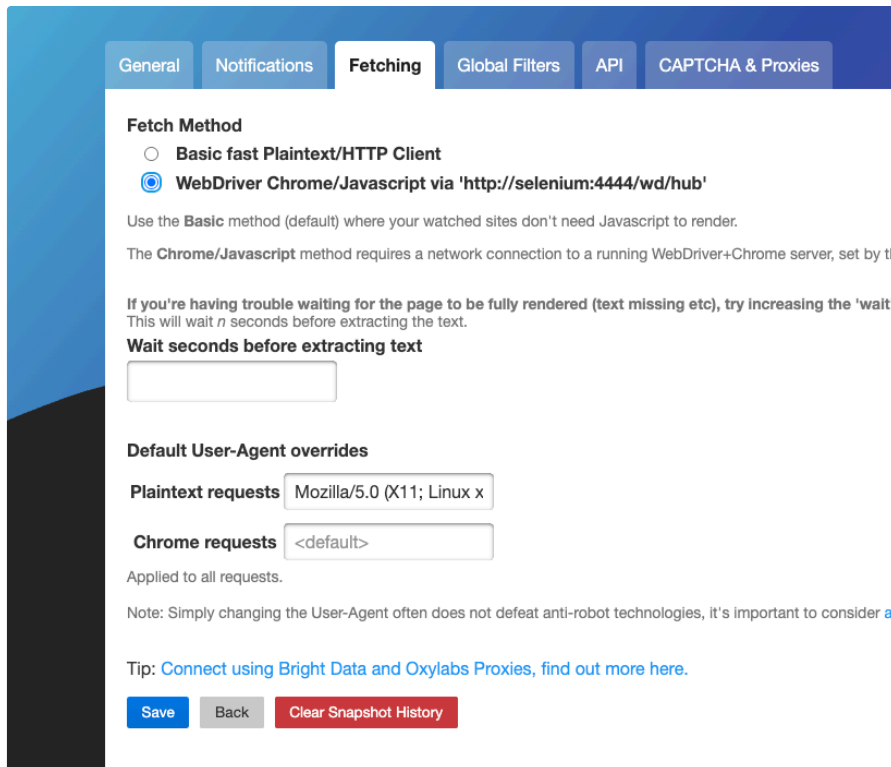
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1 docker run --link selenium -p "127.0.0.1:5000:5000" -e WEBDRIVER_URL="http://selenium:4444/wd/hub" -v datastore-volume:/datastore dgtlmoon/changedetection.io
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## Steps to Reproduce

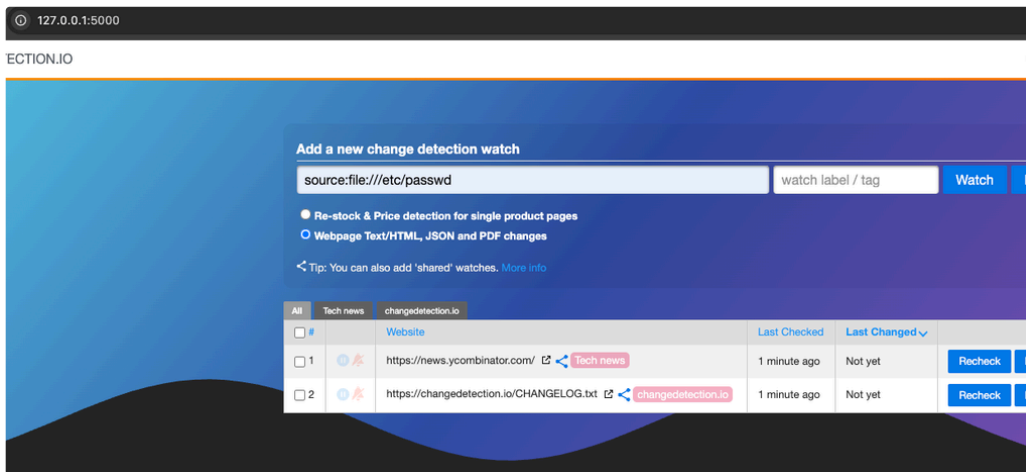
1. Run the setup commands
2. Visit <http://127.0.0.1:5000/> in a web browser



3. Navigate to Fetch Settings and enable the WebDriver <http://127.0.0.1:5000/settings#fetching>

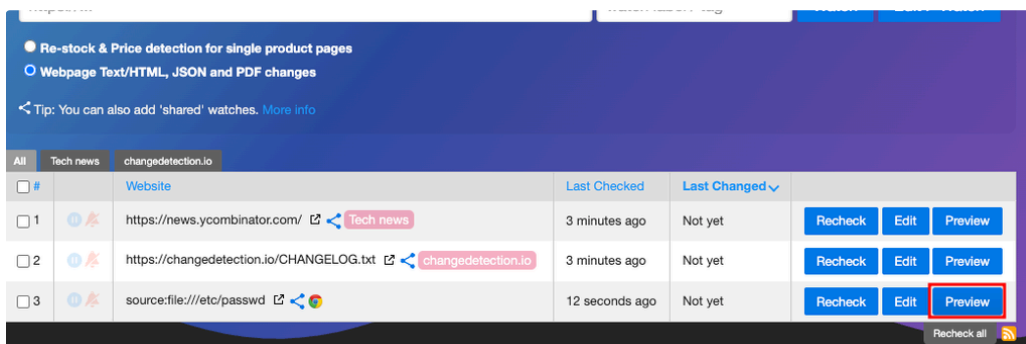


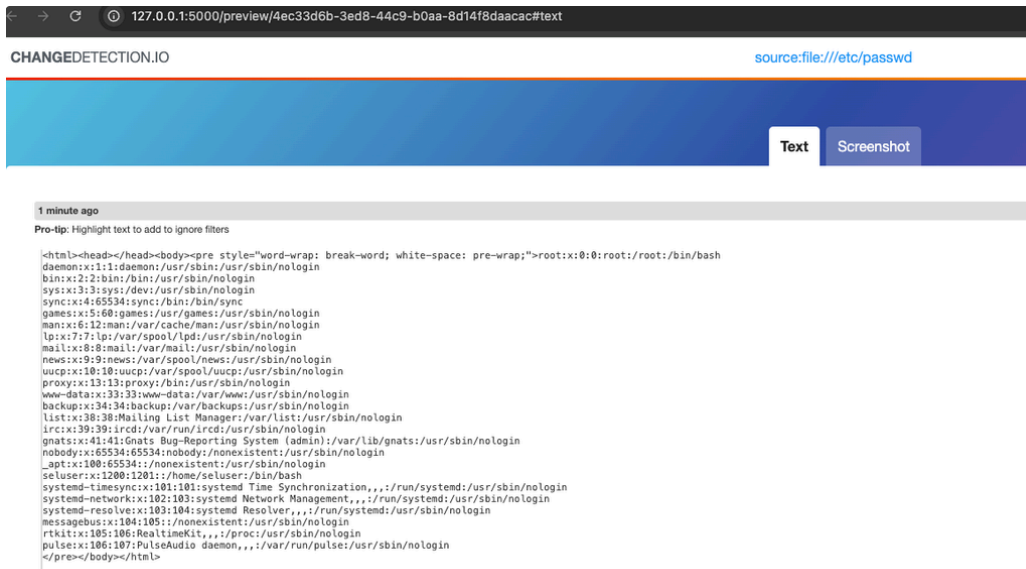
4. Back at the main screen enter source:file:///etc/passwd in the form



5. Click Watch and wait a few seconds

6. Refresh the page and click the Preview Button, the contents of the webdriver's /etc/passwd file is displayed





Trying with just file:///etc/passwd gets blocked

