

Perlefter - Joseph Roth

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Now available for the first time in English, this important addition to the Roth canon is rich in irony and exemplary of Roth's keen powers of social and political observation. A novel fragment that was discovered among Joseph Roth's papers decades after his death, this book chronicles the life and times of Alexander Perlefter, the well-to-do Austrian urbanite with whom his relative, a small-town narrator, Naphthali Kroj, has come to live after becoming orphaned. The colorful cast of characters includes Perlefter's four children: foolish Alfred, with his predilection for sleeping with servant girls and widows and boasting of the venereal diseases he contracts; the hapless Karoline, whose interest in math and physics and employment at a scientific institute seem to repel serious suitors; the flamboyant Julie, a sweet, pale, and anemic girl who likes any man who is inclined toward marriage; and the beautiful and flighty Margarete, besotted with a professor of history. Written circa 1928-30, Perlefter represents Joseph Roth at the very peak of his literary powers; it was penned just after the publication of *The Silent Prophet* and just before his masterpieces *Job* and *The Radetzky March*. Author: Roth, Joseph Publisher: Peter Owen Publishers Illustration: N Language: ENG Title: Perlefter: The Story of a Bourgeois Pages: 00224 (Encrypted EPUB) / 00224 (Encrypted PDF) On Sale: 2013-03-01 SKU-13/ISBN: 9780720614879 Category: Fiction : Literary

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