

### CHANGED HIS MIND.

Wanted to Be Shot Until a Pistol Was Pointed at Him.

Herman K. Abraham, an eccentric second-hand clothes dealer of the Heights, rang the bell at the county jail the other morning, and when the door was opened, forced his way in regardless of remonstrances.

"What do you want?" asked Keeper Eltringham.

"I want to die; shoot me," said Abraham, throwing open his coat.

"Well, go and die," replied Eltringham, testily, "but don't do it here. This isn't a morgue."

"But I don't want to kill myself," said Abraham; "I want some one to do it for me."

"Do you want me to do the job?" asked Eltringham, as he opened a drawer in a big desk and took out a revolver.

"Yes, aim right here," replied Abraham, placing his hand over his heart.

"Don't you want to say a prayer before you die?"

"No, I did that home. I am ready to go."

Eltringham pointed the revolver at Abraham's breast, but when the latter saw the gleam of the weapon he changed his mind and put himself outside the door at a bound. He was still running at the top of his speed when he turned into Oakland avenue and disappeared.

### Had Faith in His Father.

The faith which children have in their parents is not often better illustrated than by a story which was told recently by a fond relative of an almost precocious boy. He is about three years of age, and his fond mamma thought that it was about time that she impressed upon his infantile mind some one of the first lessons in Christianity. This took the form of a prayer, which she repeated while the boy lisped the words after her. It happened by chance that the head of the house was absent from home, and among the petitions for special blessings was this: "Please, God, bring papa safely home." With all the dignity which can be crowded into the being of a three-year-old boy and a precocious one at that, Master Robert stood up and said proudly: "My papa can come home his self." There were no more prayers that night.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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