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Moncler has built a brand on parkas. Image credit: Moncler

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The troubled department store Barneys is considering bankruptcy proceedings after the rent on its Madison Avenue flagship doubled to \$30 million, according to Reuters. The luxury chain isn't the first to be troubled by rising New York rents and growing competition from online retailers: Lord & Taylor shut its Fifth Avenue flagship in January, and Henri Bendel, Calvin Klein and Ralph Lauren have all closed locations in recent months, according to Vogue Business.

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