

# SELLING OUT—QUITTING BUSINESS

## THE AMERICAN CLOTHIERS

NORRIS-BAKER CO.

223 and 225 Morrison Street—One Door West of First Street

DESPERATE CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE DETERMINED ACTION

We have concluded to retire from business—yes, the store that has been Portland's leading establishment for men's and boys' apparel for fifteen years will sell out at forced sale and close its doors forever.

**\$50,000** Worth of all new Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing, Hats, Shoes and Furnishings will be sacrificed at forced sale

**40 TO 60 PER CENT OF VALUE**

No laws of cost, worth or loss will cut any figure. We must sell the entire stock—nothing reserved. All holiday goods will go in this great Business Quitting Sale. You can rely that the greatest bargains ever offered in fine goods will be found here during this selling out bargain carnival.

### 2000 MEN'S SUITS

An event in suit selling that is head and shoulders above all the so-called bargain sales about town were they pooled in one. Elegant novelties, black, blue, browns, greens, etc., are on the block of sacrifice. Elegant tailor-made custom materials and styles such as have held the American Clothiers in the front rank for fifteen years. This season's staples and ultra fashionable, will be sold at prices so low that material cost alone is not represented. Sell the goods—out they go. Remember, we carry special shapes for the tall, extra stout, extra large and regular shape men. Early buyers naturally have the advantage of most complete variety of styles and sizes to select from. Don't spend a penny until you visit this selling out event. It's dollars to you on Men's Suits.

**\$4.85 FOR UP TO \$11.50 SUITS**

Medium and dark color, men's and young men's Suits, all wool and manipulated cassimeres or worsteds; incomplete lines; all sizes; see them.

**\$12.50 FOR UP TO \$25.00 SUITS**

Select domestic and imported fabrics, full custom finished, in dressy or fancy materials, full Venetian serge or Italian linings, sewed throughout with double test silk; a variety to please particular dressers.

**\$7.50 FOR UP TO \$15.00 SUITS**

Black, blue, grays, browns and fancy materials, full tailor-made, with serge or Italian cloth linings, haircloth and canvas shape-retaining pants and collar; a gentleman's suit.

**\$16.50 FOR UP TO \$32.50 SUITS**

Foreign materials, select custom tailor styles, in the worsteds, choicest patterns and colorings; these suits are the very acme of elegance in every particular and deserve the attention of the critical dresser that's willing to save.

**\$16.50 FOR UP TO \$30 OVERCOATS AND CRAVENETTES**

English and French materials, Priestley, etc., in cravenettes and elegant worsteds, kerseys, covert, valures and wares in overcoats, Skinner sleeve linings, with triple warp serge and venetian body lining. The new staple and fads in variety.

**\$4.85 FOR UP TO \$10.00 OVERCOATS**

A variety of all sizes, broken lots, dark and medium colors.

**3000 PAIRS PANTS**

To fit all sizes of men, 29 to 37 inseam, 30 to 50 waist measure, a variety of colors, patterns and materials to please your ideas. The prices will be cut out of all semblance to real values—bare cost of materials—almost any price to keep things going with a rush. Be here soon—get in on the ground floor.

**\$1.15** Big lot broken sizes, to \$2 value.  
**\$1.35** Dark and medium colors, to \$2.50 value.  
**\$1.85** Great variety, all colors, to \$3.50 value.  
**\$2.35** Tailor made, dress and business, to \$4.50 value.  
**\$2.85** All kinds of fine up to \$5 Pants.  
**\$3.85** Grand display, imported fabric, to \$6.50 Pants.  
**\$4.85** A grand showing extra fine to \$8 Pants.

**\$2000 WORTH OF CHILDREN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS**

Fine goods, mostly small and medium sizes. Just cut the price in half. Pay just half. Half price, less and extra 10 per cent, or 40 per cent of value. Bring the boys here, fix them up. Come quick; sizes will soon be broken.

**SUITCASES**

We have about 100 fine ones—  
**\$2.35** for up to \$3.50 Cases. **\$7.85** for up to \$15.00 Cases.  
**\$3.85** for up to \$7.50 Cases. **\$9.85** for up to \$20.00 Cases.  
**\$4.85** for up to \$9.00 Cases. Values **25¢** each.



#### MEN'S FURNISHINGS

We show a complete stock of the choicest and best staples and Xmas fixings for men and young men to be found anywhere at fancy prices. This business-quitting sale will give you the advantages of years. Prices cut to pieces. E. & W. collars, Cluett and Monarch shirts, fine underwear, etc.

#### 10,000 PIECES UNDERWEAR

Cotton, Merino, Wool and Silk Mix.  
**29¢** Big lot broken sizes, to 65c values.  
**39¢** Regular lines, all sizes, to 65c values.  
**59¢** Natural Merino, etc, to \$1 values.  
**89¢** Wool rib and flats, all colors, to \$1.50 values.  
**\$1.35** Imported lambs' wool, bals, etc., \$2.00 values.  
**\$1.85** Fine English and French goods, to \$3.00 values.

#### FANCY VESTS

**75¢** for up to \$1.50 Wash Vests.  
**\$1.75** Novelties, plain and fancy, to \$3.00 values.  
**\$2.75** Very handsome, to \$5.00 values.  
**\$3.75** Choice of all elegant to \$7.50 values.

#### 500 ODD VESTS

Left from broken suits, all colors, kinds and sizes—  
**45¢** for odd Vests, worth to \$2.00.  
**85¢** for odd Vests, worth to \$3.50.

#### 2500 SHIRTS

A most complete stock Working and Dress Shirts. Note the price cutting:  
**39¢**—Golf and Neglige, all kinds, to 75c value.  
**69¢**—Golf and Neglige, fine to \$1 value.  
**89¢**—Very handsome Golf and Neglige, to \$1.50 value.  
Fine French flannels, silk mixtures, also Cluett and Monarch at these reductions.

#### SOX

Almost a carload; cotton and wool.  
**7 1/2¢** for all 12 1/2c Sox. **19¢** for all up to 35c Sox.  
**12 1/2¢** for all up to 20c Sox. **39¢** for all up to 75c Sox.

#### SUSPENDERS

**20¢** for best to 35c Suspenders.  
**35¢** for best to 75c Suspenders.  
**65¢** for elegant, best, latest, to \$1 Suspenders.

#### HANDKERCHIEFS

**6¢** for all 10c Handkerchiefs.  
**10¢** for up to 20c Handkerchiefs.  
**15¢**—Cotton or silk 25c Handkerchiefs.  
**25¢** and **40¢**—Linen and silk to 75c value.

#### CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR

**15¢**—Bows, Clubs and Four-in-Hands, silk; 25c values.  
**25¢** for all kinds silk 50c Ties.  
**45¢** for newest Christmas 75c Ties.  
**65¢** for imported novelties Christmas \$1 Ties.

#### CHRISTMAS UMBRELLAS — 100 STYLES

**35¢**—Our great special 65c value.  
**65¢** for up to \$2 Paragon frame.  
**\$1.35** for up to \$3 gunmetal frame ones.  
**\$1.85**—Best XXX Bumbazine steel frame \$4 ones.  
**\$2.85** for choice of all silk, etc., to \$5 values.

#### SHOES—5000 PAIRS—GOOD ONES

Shoes for the universe. Our great weakness was shoes—lots of them, good and fine ones only. They must be sold. Prices must do the work. Read about them. See them. They are the kind that tell their own story—

**\$1.35** Big lot, box calf, \$2.00 value.

**\$2.35** Our Grands, up to \$3.00 Shoes.

**\$2.85** All styles, best up to \$4.00 values.

**\$3.85** Bench made, very latest and best styles, dress and street, to \$5.50 values.

This great department will offer more real bargains in good and fine shoes than ever was shown in Portland, from the working to finest dress and cutter, loggers', rubbers, etc.

#### 3000 FALL AND WINTER STYLE HATS

**\$1.35** Alpine, tip brim, etc., all colors and shapes, cut from \$2.00.

**\$1.85** Soft and Derby, new styles and shades, black, gray, brown, greens, etc.; values run to \$3.00.

**\$2.35** Soft and stiff, black, brown, gray, greens, smoke, drab, etc.; values to \$3.50.

**\$2.85** Stetson Hats, in the new shades, shapes and colors; also high class stiff hats; values run to \$5.00.

The American Clothiers are the recognized hatters of Oregon. Our immense outlet always allowed us to keep the stock moving, and the very newest styles constantly coming in by express from the leading hatters of the United States.

#### GLOVES

**35¢** for Working to 65c Gloves. **60¢** for Gloves, to \$1 values.  
**65¢**—Kid and heavy to \$1.50 kinds.  
**\$1.35**—Dress and heavy to \$2 Gloves.

#### BOSTON GARTERS

**15¢** for the 25c ones. **35¢** for silk 50c ones.

### SPECIAL ATTENTION

If this paper were used in its entirety we could not quote half the bargains. We are quitting business—selling out. Our word is as good today as it has been for the last fifteen years. We will sell this stock with a rush by cutting prices to a point never equaled in honest merchandising in coast history. Yours truly,

## THE AMERICAN CLOTHIERS

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### ST. JOHNS TO HAVE SALOONS

#### City Council Passes an Ordinance Permitting Granting of Liquor Licenses.

After a fight of over a year between the liquor interests of St. Johns and those who are in favor of a dry town, the saloon people have scored a victory which will permit the sale of intoxicants for a time at least.

At last night's meeting of the St. Johns council an ordinance was passed which sanctions the licensing of saloons. The measure provides that there shall be no screens or glazed windows

#### CONSUMPTION STATISTICS.

Prove that a neglected cold or cough puts the lungs in so bad a condition that consumption germs find a fertile field for fastening on one. Stop the cough just as soon as it appears with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Soothes the torn and inflamed tissues and makes you well again. Sold by Skidmore Drug Co.

**GLUTEN BREAD 15c**  
Baked Mornings & Thursdays  
VEGETARIAN SAFE BAKERY  
100 SIXTH STREET

**Schwab Printing Co.**  
BEST WORK. REASONABLE PRICES.  
247 1/2 STARK STREET

which will prevent a view from the street.

At the last city election the people decided, at the polls, that they wanted a dry town, and since that time very little liquor has been sold. Once or twice the "blind pigs" have attempted to peddle out the thirst erasers from back rooms, but so far as is known, they have all been apprehended before they had gone far.

The fight has been taken up in earnest recently by the saloon interests, who discovered that in the city charter there is a clause very similar to the Medford clause, which allowed saloons, in the face of a heavy dry vote victory. The Medford case was carried up to the supreme court and the charter was sustained and saloons were permitted to run.

Simultaneously with the decision of the supreme court three petitions for saloon licenses were handed in to the St. Johns city council, which has held back its answer for about two months, settling the question last night by a vote of 5 to 2 in favor of licensing saloons.

The ordinance provides that there shall be but one saloon to every 1200 people and that there shall be no music, free lunch or women in the establishments. No saloon shall occupy more than one room, and nothing but liquor shall be sold in any saloon.

**6600 SONG BIRDS FOR CHRISTMAS**  
Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—Almost 9000 merry little songbirds, an installment of the Christmas shipments, arrived here yesterday. They did not come to sing at the academy or the Philadelphia opera house, but will distribute their shower of melody all over the United States.

Some of them left Philadelphia last evening—for their destinations. They were brought here by one of the three importers of canaries in this country and were the regular weekly receipt at this season of the year.

Every week when a steamship of the Holland-America line arrives in port it brings a cargo of songsters. Last week there were more than 6000. This week the shipment was 5600. Next week it will be about the same. The Philadelphia importer has his own exporting house in the Harz mountains in Germany, whence the birds are sent here. In addition to these thousands of canaries there are more than 1000 other

### Extraordinary Piano Bargains

A High-Grade Used Piano Better Than a Cheap New One

Here are to be found a number of slightly used pianos which are very desirable instruments—sweet toned, beautiful case designs, well-known makes, worth in many instances nearly double the price quoted.

Some have been taken in exchange as part payment toward the beautiful Sohmer or a Hallet & Davis, while others have been out on rent, and since being returned have been polished and tuned, and are none the worse for their slight use.



A fine slightly used Piano for only, **\$157.00**  
Another well-known New York make, only slightly used, at **\$167.00**  
Still another upright in excellent condition, left with us by family going to China, now only **\$195.00**  
Others at prices far below their actual value. Come and investigate these—tomorrow.

**Graves Music Co.**

111 FOURTH STREET, NORTH OF WASHINGTON

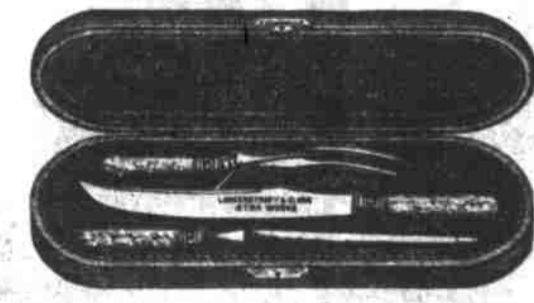
small singing birds, as linnets and finches.  
All the birds that arrived yesterday are males; for the female canary is a chatterer, not a singer.  
Bound together in crates, each crate holding 25 birds and covered with canvas, the little fellows, who filled three huge trucks, filled the air near Market and Third streets with song as they stopped there to take their rest before they begin their journey across the country. Nearly all the canaries for the Pacific coast go there from Philadelphia. Littlest clearance sale. Every thing less than half.

### CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

FOR FATHERS, MOTHERS AND YOUNGSTERS



**SAFETY RAZOR SETS \$1.00 to \$10.00**



**CARVING SETS RANGING IN PRICE FROM \$2.00 TO \$65.00**



**RAZOR STROPS SHAVING BRUSHES AND SHAVING MUGS**



**50c AND UP**

Wagons  
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Coasters  
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Wheelbarrows

**BODY 13x27 \$4.25**



**HONEYMAN HARDWARE CO.**  
FOURTH AND ALDER STS.