Cartoon, “Trying, Very.” 19 March 1859
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TRYING, VERY.

DAGUERREIAN ARTIST, “Now, sir, be so good as to fix your Eyes on that Painting, and assume a pleasing expression of Countenance.”
The graphic is also available in JPG format:

EDITOR'S NOTES:
While the purpose of the cartoon is humor, the visual content is also instructive. Note the use of the dark-cloth over the camera lens which will be removed when the sitter is composed.

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