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200	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
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### DANSVILLE CLOTHING EMPORIUM.

Have just received the Largest and most Fashionable stock of American and Imported

## CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, &c.,

Ever brought to this market, all of which they will be happy to

### EXHIBIT FREE OF EXPENSE

To all who may call and see them. They have a large and splendid lot of the most beautiful and fashionable

## Velvets, Cashmeres, Grenadines,

And other Vestings, ever seen

### GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

Such as SHIRTS, COLLARS, NECKTIES, HANKIECHIEFS, GLOVES, HOSIERY, &c.

### HATS AND CAPS,

The best in Dansville. Their stock of

### READY-MADE CLOTHING

is the full and is admitted to be superior to any other in this market.

### Mr. GEORGE H. RICE

Is prepared to take measures and

### TURN OUT CUSTOM WORK

At the rate of anything in this section.

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### Let Palmes Show you Goods

That will make your mouth water

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Entrance between J. B. Prussia's Millinery Store and J. B. Foster's Clothing Store.

The above gentleman would inform the citizens of Dansville and vicinity that they are prepared to do everything in the line of their business in the

### HIGHEST STYLE OF THE ART.

Having at great expense posted the negatives in all the

Latest Improvements, and equipping one of the best Skylight Galleries in Western New York, they are now taking

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Which are pronounced by all to be equal to the best, and so cheap as the cheapest. Also

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Which cannot be beaten in the country. Particular attention paid to taking Children and groups.

Those having pictures of deceased persons can have them enlarged to Photographs of any size.

Call and see specimens of our own taking

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### SCHOOL BOOKS

Can now be obtained at reduced prices at ROGERS BROS.

### School Examination in Sparta.

DANSVILLE, Aug. 28th, 1860.

Mr. Editor:—In accordance with previous arrangements made by Commissioner Farley, on the 28th inst. the schools of Sparta met for a general examination and picnic. There were drawn on the Committee of Examination the following persons:—Harvey Farley, Com. A. T. Slight, of Scottsburg, and your humble servant. It had been previously arranged by Mr. Farley that the Committee of Examination should also report the proceedings for the press, but as Mr. Farley and Mr. Slight have thought proper to step aside and "generously" leave this portion of the work to me, yourself and readers are welcome to what I have to say on the matter.

The Schools met in a grove north of the old Methodist Church. There were present many of the citizens of the town and some from adjoining towns. There are eight districts in the town, six of which were represented, their teachers were as follows:—Dist. No. 1, Miss Squires; No. 2, Miss Totten; No. 3, Miss Graham; No. 4, Miss Durfee; No. 5, absent; No. 6, absent; No. 7, Miss Rau; No. 8, Miss Keihle. The schools were examined in the forenoon by their respective teachers, in order of their numbers, and in the following branches which seemed to be about the usual range of study in the schools. Reading, spelling, English Grammar, Primary and advanced Geography, Primary, Intellectual and Slate Arithmetic. The exercises as a whole were good, and must have been in a greater or less degree satisfactory to the respective patrons of the different schools. Many things were even praiseworthy, while others were equally worthy of criticism. Leaving those things that were well done as having already received their just meed of praise from those present at the time, we pass to a few criticisms.

1st. Reading.—The recitations in this branch were not as good on an average as those in Arithmetic or Geography. Physical training and deportment in class and on the stage seemed to have been too much neglected, some holding the book in the right hand and some in the left, some holding it in both hands, while in other instances two or three read from the same book. Again some were seen standing on one foot, while the other made sundry excursions in the adjoining neighborhood. Others could scarcely be said to have stood at all, leaning for the time on their next neighbor. There were some good classes speaking so as to be distinctly heard by every one in the large audience. Others read too fast for distinct articulation, while a few were faulty in pronunciation.—To correct these faulty habits of scholars requires steady and persistent effort on the part of the teacher.

To have a good class in reading we regard it as absolutely necessary that each scholar should have a book. The book should be held in the left hand. The pupil should stand firmly on both feet with the body in an erect position. Upon the whole we think that the school in Dist. No. 1, taught by Miss Squires gave the best exercise in reading.

2nd. Arithmetic.—The method of conducting classes in Intellectual Arithmetic was the same in all of the schools present and all of the classes in this branch did well. We noticed however some faulty analysis in questions similar to the following: If 1 bushel of wheat cost 3 dollars, what will 8 bushels cost? The question was solved as follows: If 1 bushel of wheat cost 3 dollars, 8 bushels will cost 3 times 8—24 dollars. The answer is correct, but the analysis is faulty and should read: If one bushel of wheat cost 3 dollars, 8 bushels will cost 8 times 3 dollars—24 dollars. Several instances of this kind passed before our notice to which we regard the teacher as more to blame than the schools. The method of instruction adopted by the teachers in teaching this branch we regard as the correct one, and the exercises as a whole were praiseworthy, so much so that it were hard to say who did the best. But few questions were asked in what is usually termed Slate Arithmetic; and of those presenting a class exercise in this department we think Miss Durfee excelled.

3. Grammar.—There was much diversity in the recitations in grammar, some pursuing one method and some another. We think all present must have given Miss Keihle the praise of presenting the best method for conducting a class in this branch of study, and from experience we can recommend the plan of recitation presented by her to every teacher of the young. It certainly must have commended itself to all present.

From the entire absence of any exercises in Composition and Declamation during the examination, we think we have good reason to conclude that these important items in the education of our youth are altogether too much neglected. Either the teachers themselves are not qualified to instruct in these branches, or else they do not realize their importance and thereby fail to discharge some of the most responsible duties resting upon them as teachers of our common schools.

We would not forget the ladies of Sparta who were there entire, with tables splendidly decorated and overloaded with every delicacy the season could afford. There was plenty also of the substantial—of the staff of life—good bread, broiled chicken, &c. Long live the Spartan ladies.

In the afternoon the time was spent in listening to short speeches from gentlemen present, but as we have already trespassed largely upon your space, we pass these without comment.

The music was furnished by a band formerly known as the Conesus Center Brass Band, now known as Erwin's Cornet Band. They have a fine wagon, with name inscribed, and hold themselves in readiness for all such occasions.

"Hank Erwin" was there in person, as usual, with his—old hat—old coat, and—new shoes.

In behalf of the Committee,  
I am yours, &c.

D. H. ROGERS.  
A hungry man does right well to eat the egg; for he might starve before it got to be a pullet.