The blacksmith shop and home of Henry S. Jackson was located in the Stearnsville section of Pittsfield. The shop and house are gone, but a brick building then owned by the Hancock Shakers is still on the site, on the north side of Lebanon Ave, near the
town line of Edward Rd. interaction. Jackson was a slave in Washington, D.C., who escaped to freedom in Dahalth, N.Y., before
moving to Pittsfield in 1858. He headed the 54th recruitment office in Pittsfield and recruited several dozen men himself. His actions were publicized in the local newspaper.

With such examples before one’s eyes as Mr. Harrison, Puntilt Campbell, and Henry S. Jackson, it is hard to convey the bondage

with many of his men in the assault on Ft. Wagner. Today, we remember the names of some of the men who served in the Fort Wagner assault, including the

Many newspapers hailed the men’s bravery and courage for their service in the war. They expressed their readiness to meet the enemy again, and they knew if Wagner

They were to be very patriotic up there.