

water, taken from a well within the fort, was thrown upon the parapet, and the plan of the enemy frustrated. A sort of *mantelet*, loaded with dry faggots, set on fire, was then forced towards the fort, accompanied with flaming arrows ; but all to no purpose. Stevens maintained his position, continued a fire upon the enemy whenever he presented himself, and refused all propositions of a surrender. After an assault of three days, and suffering severely in the loss of his men, Debeline withdrew from the siege. None of Stevens' men were killed, and but two wounded.

For this brave defence, Sir Charles Knowles, commandant of a naval force then in Boston harbor, sent Capt. Stevens an elegant sword. The town was subsequently named in honor of Sir Charles.

From Charlestown a stage may be taken daily for Saratoga Springs, passing through Chester, Manchester, &c. ; or for Boston, passing through Walpole, Keene, &c. (See p. 356 to 362.)

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. on the west side of the river, 5 miles from Charlestown.

WEATHERSFIELD, 6 miles ; a fine agricultural township. Jarvis' farm, at what is termed Weathersfield Bow (a turn in the river) is considered one of the best in Vermont.

WINDSOR, 7 miles. (See p. 366.)

HARTLAND, 7 miles.