

ing in these actions, but of the subsequent ones we have the following authentic accounts in the "History of the American War" in the Southern States, where Captain Coffin took part in the actions of Hampton, Hobkirk's Hill, and Eutaw Springs, all of which were fought during the year 1781.

The following descriptions of the battles of Hobkirk's Hill and Eutaw Springs, are extracts from the history of the war in the Southern States of America, by General Green, in command of the American forces.

The battle of Hobkirk's Hill took place on the 25th of April, 1781.

Near the town of Camden, in South Carolina, stands Hobkirk's Hill; it is a narrow sand-ridge of very little elevation, in which are the head springs of two small branches of the River Santee, the one running into the Wateree, the other into Pine Tree Creek; the latter forms what is called Nury Branch, which winds south-eastward into the principal stream, and with it forms a continual swamp. In front of this swamp, on the south side of the town of Camden, the Royalist Troops were posted; a swelling ground formed a covert communication