give you the route & some of the particulars. After leaving Beaufort we struck the Charleston & Augusta railroad near Branchville followed & tore up the track west about 20 miles, & went within about 50 miles of Augusta There was one Corps ore more still west of us. I dont know how near they went to Augusta, probably we tore up 40 or 50 miles of that road. The Infantry tore up the rails, piled them on the ties and fired them then we followed with our irons hooks & twisted them After finishing that job we started for Columbia, left the road in the morning marched 7 miles to the Edisto river, built a bridge over that then went over and went into camp. Started next morning at daylight — the usual time — marched 15 miles to the North Edisto. Arrived there about 2 P.M. Stoped on the bank of the river & went to getting dinner one hour was allowed us before going to work building a bridge over over the river We had our dinner just ready to eat when the rebs commenced firing at us, from a battery over the river, a number of shells burst just below us & before we knew what was up one came right among us struck our gun stacks breaking some of them just clipped one fellows hand and the ball or a splinter struck one man in the face, hurt him considerable but not very seriously, did no other damage except taking a few knapsacks We got back out of that as soon a possible out of range of their guns left our things & went down to work getting out timber each side of the bridge, their guns were ranged for the bridge but they shot over, a few had to work around the bridge to fix it a little befor dark but they did not get hurt although the shells came very near them They stopped a little after dark & that was the last of it We worked there