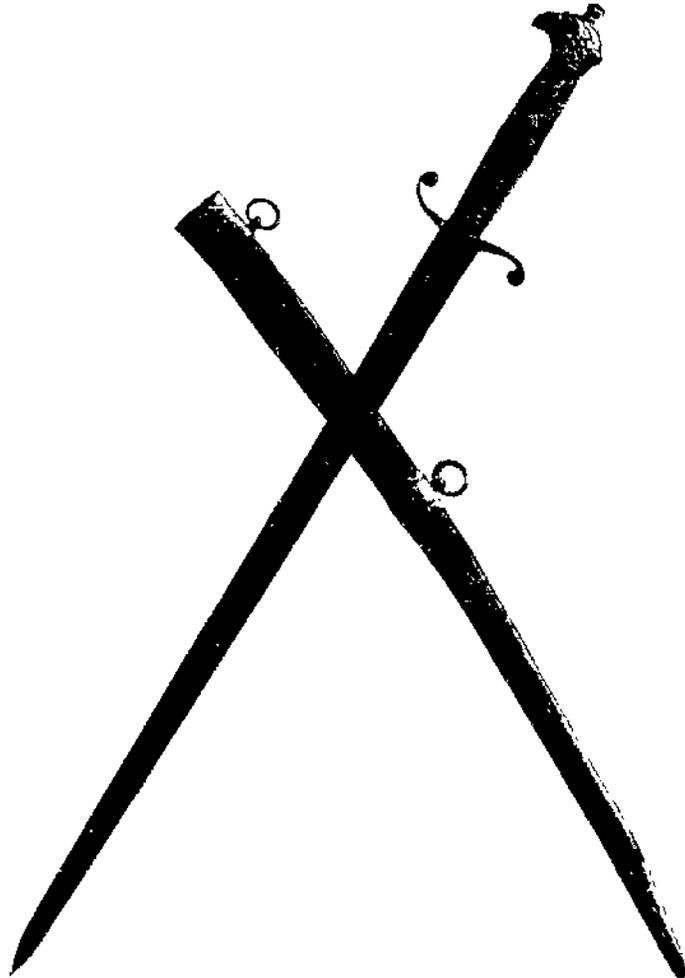


by the number of casualties on board of it; the number of killed being twenty-two, and that of the wounded, sixty-one. Reporting to the secretary of the navy, on the thirteenth of September, the engagement with the ships of the enemy, Captain Perry, then on board of the schooner *Ariel*, at anchor in Put-in-bay, wrote :

“The officers and men who were immediately under my observation evinced the greatest gallantry, and I have no doubt that all others conducted them-



MIDSHIPMAN AUGUSTUS SWARTWOUT'S SWORD AND ITS SCABBARD.

selves as became American officers and seamen. Lieutenant Yarnall, first of the *Lawrence*, although several times wounded, refused to quit the deck. Midshipman Forrest (doing duty as a lieutenant) and Sailing-master Taylor were of great assistance to me. I have great pain in stating to you the death of Lieutenant Brooks of the marines and Midshipman Laub, both of the *Lawrence*: they were valuable and promising officers. Mr. Hambleton, purser, who volunteered his services on deck, was severely wounded late in the action.