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**Rare Half-Horse Half-Alligator Hilt  
Bowie Knife by E. Barnes, Sheffield**

*Circa 1840*

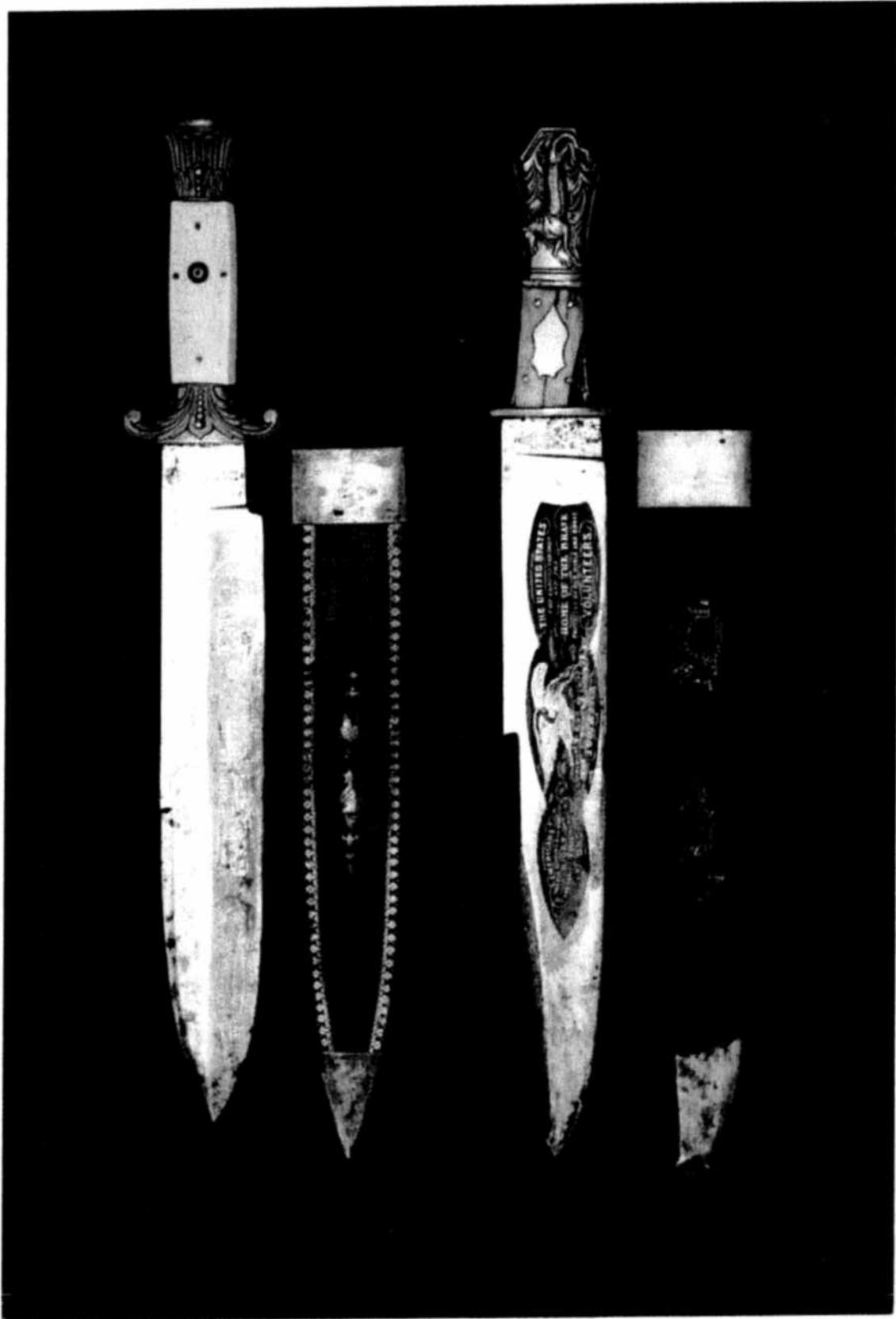
11½ inch clip point blade elaborately etched with American eagle clutching riband, inscribed *American Bowie Knife* over the word *Toothpick*, and flanked by patriotic inscriptions. The whole set against a gold ground. German silver hilt with ivory scales bearing escutcheon medallion. With original German silver mounted scabbard featuring bust of General Taylor. 15 <sup>7</sup>/<sub>16</sub> inches overall.

*Condition: Very good. Small ivory chip missing from grip. Tip of blade reshaped.*

Note: Pictured on page 288 of *The Antique Bowie Knife Book*.

*Chas. Schreiner III Collection*  
Estimate 4,000/6,000

Catalog description when sold  
for Charles Schreiner III collection, 1992



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