

## Private of the Iron Brigade

Black: hat, haversack,  
belt, cap box,  
bayonet scabbard, shoes

Dark blue: sack coat

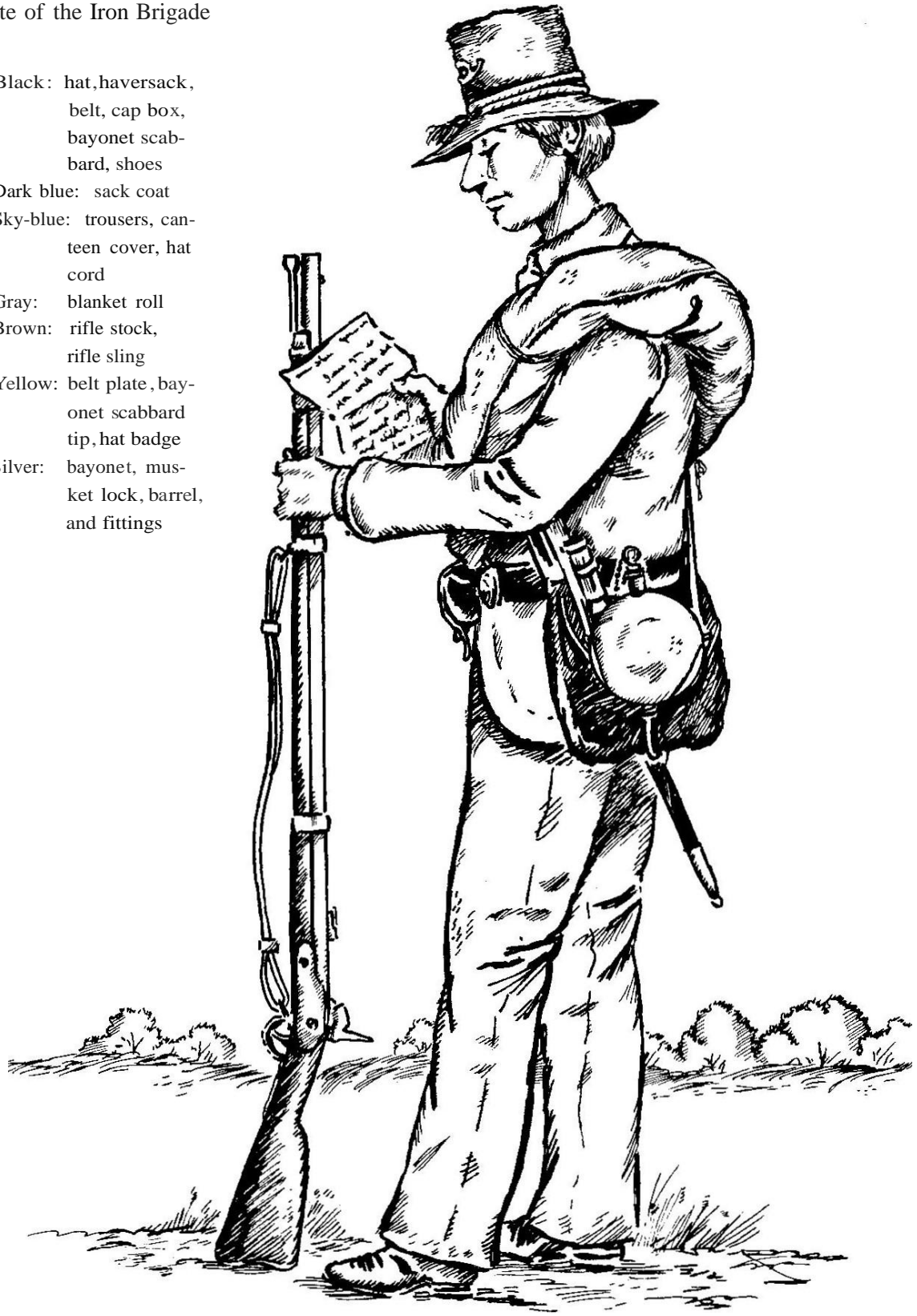
Sky-blue: trousers, can-  
teen cover, hat  
cord

Gray: blanket roll

Brown: rifle stock,  
rifle sling

Yellow: belt plate, bay-  
onet scabbard  
tip, hat badge

Silver: bayonet, mus-  
ket lock, barrel,  
and fittings



The Iron Brigade was formed by Union volunteers from small towns in Wisconsin, Indiana, and Michigan. This Brigade was to become a legend of the Civil War. Their distinctive headgear, which was called a "Jeff Davis" or "Hardee" hat, originated their nickname of the "Black Hat Brigade." This private reads a sad letter from home.