

James H. Gillespie Land Transactions Last updated: 4/1/2012

I was originally keeping this table only for Colorado land transactions, but now find that James and Belle had land in other states as well. This table is an attempt to keep track of those transactions. Note that I am also including those transactions of Greer relations.

Note that part of the exercise in my deed search was to help differentiate the three James Gillespie's living in Leadville between 1880-1900. I have highlighted in gray where I am not altogether certain about the identity.

Pink indicates the property in Leadville where the Gillespie's lived for nearly 20 years. Blue indicates the house in Denver where they lived (off and on) from 1890 until James death in 1931. Yellow indicates property transactions that still need follow-up (ie property was bought but when was it sold? Or property in somebody's estate, but when was it purchased?)

Doc Date	Rec Date	Grantor	Grantee	Description	Amount	Source	Comments
9 Mar 1871	21 Nov 1871	Robert Gillespie and Elizabeth his wife	James Gillespie	[1] Sec 21 in Springfield, MI	\$300	Oakland County Deeds	Parents could use & occupy during their lives; & James would pay any debts owed
20 Nov 1874	17 Jun 1875	James H. Gillespie, his wife Isabella and Elizabeth Gillespie	John C. Davis	[1X] Sec 21 in Springfield, MI	\$300 + payment of 3 mortgages totally \$1400	Oakland County Deeds	
27 Dec 1874	Jan 1875	Albert H. Washburn	James H. Gillespie	[2] 19-2-10, twp Bloomfield, MI	\$1800	Oakland County Deeds	This would have been shortly after birth of son John W. Gillespie
24 Nov 1877		Johianda J. Wave and his wife Sarah J. Wave	James H. Gillespie	[3] 1-36-?, Phelps Co, MO; 80.47 acres	\$600 note + \$500 to pay	Phelps County Deeds	

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2 Feb 1878		Michael Hurley & Frances J. Hurley his wife	James H. Gillespie	[4] Lot 3 SW, 31-37-7, Phelps Co, MO	\$600	Phelps County Deeds	
4 Feb 1878		James H. Gillespie & Isabelle Gillespie his wife	Marion Munson	[4X] Lot 3 SW, 31-37-7, Phelps Co, MO	\$600	Phelps County Deeds	
15 Oct 1879	27 Oct 1879	William K. VanSykle & Julia Ann his wife	Isabella Gillespie	[5] 80 acres, Waterford Twp, Oakland, MI	\$3000	Oakland County Deeds	
3 Jan 1881	7 Mar 1881	Isabella Gillespie	Isaac Benedict & Delia his wife	[5X] 80 acres, Waterford Twp, Oakland, MI	\$6000	Oakland County Deeds	
14. Feb. 1881	18. Apr. 1881	D. D. Belden	Emma Greer and Jane M. Lockhart	[6] lot 29, blk 19, sec 32, twp 6, rg 80, Leadville	\$450.00	Lake 53-513	
15. Oct. 1881	3. Aug. 1882	Isaac Kahn	James H. Gillespie	[7] lot in Leadville	\$320.00	Lake 66-362	
13 Feb 1882		William Steele	R. A. Day	[8] Lot 19, blk 19, Stray Horse addition	\$150 at 3.5%	Lake 42-492	Promissory note payable to Emma E. Greer
6 Feb 1883		Thomas W. Collins	James Gillespie	[9] Lots 19 & 20, blk 31 in S&L subiv	\$200 at 3%	Lake 85-18	Promissory note payable to T. B. Fluke

31 Jul 1883		Richard F. Trevorthan	J. H. Gillespie	[10] Lots 1 & 2, blk 23, Stray Horse addition & dwelling & all appurtenances	\$220 at 3%	Lake 100-105	Deed of Trust, promissory note payable to C. L. Greer
10 Oct 1883		James Powell	Mary E. Quinn & Daniel Quinn	[11] Lot 5, blk K, S&L subdiv, & house at 222 E. 7 th .	\$300 at 3%	Lake 85-134	Promissory note payable to Emma E. Greer
12 Nov 1883		R. J. Trevorthan	J. H. Gillespie	[10] Lots 1 & 2, blk 23, Stray Horse addition & dwelling & all appurtenances		Lake 92-192	Release of Deed of Trust
20 Dec 1883		Emma Greer	Thomas G. Roberts	[6X] Lot 29, blk 19, stray horse addition	\$195	Lake 95-543	
26 Dec 1883		Jennie Lockhart	Thomas G. Roberts	[6X] Lot 29, blk 19, stray horse addition	\$185	Lake 95-610	
20 May 1884		Anson H. Mallory	J M Lockhart	[11] 1/10 th interest in a placer claim of 160 acres in Chaffee County	\$150	Lake 96-80	
22 May 1884		Jennie M. Lockhart	Anson M. Mallory			Lake 101-67	Made him her Power of Attny for all her real estate and mining concerns
18 Aug 1884		B.F. Stickley,	James W.	[12] Great Hope		Lake 106-245,	Agreement of

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		agent of owners of Great Hope mine	Westlake, C. C. Everhart, Charles L. Greer	Mine		also xref, 104-533	lease
27 Sep 1884		George W. Henoldt	C. L. Greer	[13] Lots 22, 23, blk 5, & house 122 E. 12 th St.	\$100	Lake 96-223	Check newspaper?
27 Oct 1884		Isaac Cooper	C. L. Greer	[13] Lot 122 E. 12 th St.	\$65	Lake 106-361	This is incredibly hard to understand
3 Aug 1885		James Powell, trustee	Emma Greer	[11] Lot 5, blk K, S&L subdiv, & house at 222 E. 7 th .		Lake 77-72	Quinn defaulted on 1883 note, this is for Trustee Sale
10. Feb. 1886	24. Feb. 1886	Emma Greer of Pitkin Co.	Mary Ann Waldron	[11] lot 5, blk K; sur #271 w/ all imp consisting of dwelling 222 E. 7 th St., Leadville	\$420.00	Lake 64-66	
2 Dec 1886		C. L. Greer	Jacob Rupp	[13] Lot 122 E. 12 th St. in Coopers subdiv.	\$180	64-319	
23 Apr 1887		Isaac Kahn	Isabell Gillespie	[14] 508 E. 6 th St.	\$350	67-403	Gillespie's owned 508 & 510 next door

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25 Apr 1887		Elizabeth Stickley	Jas. H. Gillespie	[15] See End Notes	\$100	109-592	Surface rights?
1 May 1887		John L. Cabe	James H. Gillespie	[16] Lot 15 & 16, blk 48, S&L subdiv	\$400	64-473	
10 Jun 1887		Elizabeth Stickley	James H. Gillespie	[17] 507 E. 6 th St.	\$100	65-14	
18 Jun 1887		James H. Gillespie	Margaret Corbett	[17X] 507 E. 6 th St., lot 13, blk 23, Stray Horse subdiv.	\$475	65-14	
11 Nov 1887		J. H. Gillespie	George R. Elder	[16X] Lot 15 & 16, blk 48, S&L subdiv.	\$725	110-541	
28 Sep 1887	20 Dec 1889	Birks Cornforth for Lester P. Merriman	Emma Greer & Jeremiah P. Landt	[18] Lots 7, 8, blk 8, H. Witters N., Denver	??	Denver 563-134	Release of Deed of Trust
20 Jun 1889		J.H. Gillespie administrator for Robert McDonald	W. C. Foster	[19] Lots 1-6, blk 15, Stray Horse addition.	\$120	140-82	
11 July 1889		W. A. Polkinghorn	J.H. Gillespie	[20] Lot 7, blk E, S&L subdiv.	\$400 at 1.5%	87-533	Deed of Trust, payable to Thomas Turner

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6 Feb 1890	11 Feb 1890	Carleton Ellis & John McDonough	Emma Greer	Lots 39 & 40, blk 8, Berkeley, JeffCo	\$250.00	JeffCo 58-28	Warranty Deed
8 Oct 1890	9 Oct 1890	James H. Gillespie	Biddle Reeves, Mort. Trust Co. of PA.	Lot 17, blk 4, Highland Park	\$2200	Denver 695-44	Trust Deed; 8% interest on mort.
8 Oct 1890	27 Oct 1900	Mary G. Parks, Mort. Trust Co. of PA.	James H. Gillespie	Lot 17, blk 4, Highland Park		Denver 1353-469	Release of Deed of Trust; promissory note had been assigned to Mary G. Parks
12 Jan 1891		Lake County	J. H. Gillespie	East 7' of lot 20, blk 18 in Stray Horse subdiv.		Lake 122-345	
29 Sep 1891		Eli Mining & Land Co.	J. H. Gillespie	Frac. Lots 20, 21, 22, blk 18, Searles subdiv., surface Alice Placer	\$35	Lake 143-216	
3 Nov 1891			James H. Gillespie	140 acres, 1-16-2, First County, Oklahoma	Land patent	Blm	unconfirmed
3 Jan 1892		Isabelle Gillespie				Lake 149-104	

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31 May 1892	9 Jul 1892	James H. Gillespie	Isabell Gillespie	Lot 17, blk 4, Highland Park	\$1000	Denver 829-98	Warranty Deed
1. Jul. 1892		James H. Gillespie	Isabelle Gillespie	lot near 6 th & Alder; lot 7 blk E, S&L subdiv, Leadville	\$1.00		from newsp. 17 Jul 1892
9 Jul 1892		James Gillespie of county Arapahoe	Isabella Gillespie of county Arapahoe	lot near 6 th & Alder; lot 7 blk E, S&L subdiv, Leadville	\$1.00	Lake 145-137	See End Notes
23 Sept 1892		Emma Greer	Belle Gillespie	1/16 interest in J.C. Freeman lode	\$45.00 (?)		Aspen newspaper
3 Jan 1893		Isabelle Gillespie of county Arapahoe	Kennedy O'Brien	[20X] Lot 7 of blk E of S&L subdiv.	\$525		Note dates might not be quite right w/ next record
16 Jan 1893		W. A. Polkinghorn	J. H. Gillespie	[20] Lot 7 of blk E of S&L subdiv.	\$1		Release of deed of trust
Sept 1893			Emma, Belle, others	Patent application 497 for J. C. Freeman lode			Aspen newspaper (need to add other stuff found by BLM)
17 Dec 1894		James R.	Mrs. Laura S.	Lot 6, blk 66 in	\$700	Lake 159-508	

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		McClure, widower, Geary County, Kansas	Greer	S&L subdiv.			
12 Jan 1895		Laura S. Greer	C. P. Bassett	Lot 6, blk 66 in S&L subdiv.	\$650 at 1.25%	Lake 150-426	Promissory note payable to A. Nelson
7. Nov. 1895		Mrs. E. J. Saxby	James H. Gillespie	605 E. 6 th St.	\$600.00		from newsp. 19 Nov 1895; not sure my James
18 Nov 1895		James H. Gillespie	J. B. Parks	House at 605 E. 6 th St. (lot 14, blk 24 in Stray Horse Addition)	\$500 at 1.5%	Lake 68-314	Promissory note payable to W. A. Polkinghorn
13 Jul 1896		Moses Lynch	James Gillespie	½ interest in Stanton Lode Mining Claim	\$100		Further described 166-287
9 Mar 1897		James H. Gillespie	Mary Oliver	605 E. 6 th	\$600	Lake 158-560	
12. Apr. 1899	13. Apr. 1899	James H. Gillespie & Isabelle Gillespie	Annie McQuade	[14X] lot & house at 508 E. 6 th St. Leadville	\$700.00	Lake 174-411	See End Notes
11 Dec 1899		Jessie F. McDonald, Fred G. Buckley	Mrs. Belle Gillespie	Frac. Lot 21, 22, 24, blk 18, also a frac. Of Penrose Lode	\$50	Lake 185-628	

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5 Feb 1901		Mrs. Belle B. Edwards of county Arapahoe	Isabelle Gillespie of Lake	Frac. Lot 22, blk 18 in the Pen subdiv.	\$1.00	Lake 190-480	
6. Feb. 1901	18. Feb. 1901	Mrs. Belle Gillespie	Mrs. Belle B. Edwards	lot 24, blk 18, Leadville	\$1.00	Lake 190-467	See End Notes
21. Feb. 1901	6. Mar. 1901	Isabelle & J. H. Gillespie	Mrs. Mary Weed	[7X] lot & house at 510 E. 6 th St. Leadville	\$1,250.00	Lake 195-46	See End Notes
1 Mar 1901	20 Jan 1919	Isabelle Gillespie	James H. Gillespie	Lot 17 blk 4, Highland Park	\$1.00	Denver 2518-592	Warranty Deed; this was xfer to James after Belle's death
	1 Mar 1919	John W. Gillespie for George D. Begole	Filomena Milano	Lot 20 blk 110, Byero East		Denver 2783-382	Release of Deed of Trust
23 Sep 1919	17 Jan 1920	James H. Gillespie	Alvin H. Pickens	Lot 8 blk 2 Broadway Place	\$10.00	Denver 2609-196	Warranty Deed

Land Transactions to investigate:

According to James H.'s probate, he had \$1000 of property in Adams County.

According to Emma's probate, she had \$1000 of farm property in Las Animas County, CO.

According to John W's probate, he had worthless property in Park County, CO.

xxEmma had another Denver property – when was that acquired?

1895 Leadville property on 6th Street – was that my James?? (don't think I ever found a record that he sold such a property)

Emma had a property (apparently) in Long Beach, CA – need to look into that a bit more.

Detailed Land Descriptions

Description of sale in February 21, 1901 Gillespie to Weed:

the east eleven feet of the fractional lot no. twenty one and all of fractional lot no. 22 in block no. eighteen in searles subdivision of the surface (?) of the Alice Placer US Survey No 396 according to and as the same in the xxxx on the plat of said subdivision filed and recorded in the office of the clerk and recorder of lake county xxxx on the 29th day of August A.D. 1891 xxx xxx the fractional lots no. 21 and the next seven feet of lot no. 22 all being in block no. eighteen xxxx xxxx xxxx subdivision in a posting of the surface of the Penrose lode US Survey No 4311 being a part of the city of Leadville Lake County Colo. and xxx house xxxx No. 510 and 510 ½ East 6th Street. This deed is given subject to all conditions reservations and stipulations in regards to ascertaining mineral rights under or above described xxx part of lots (?). Isabelle Gillespie and sometimes known as and called Belle Gillespie in the deed made by Jesse F. McDonald et al and dated Dec. 11, 1899 recorded in book 185 page 628 the name appears as Belle Gillespie but Belle and Isabelle when they appear indeed are one and the same person and the Isabelle Gillespie in this deed is the same person as Belle Gillespie referred to above.

Description of sale in April 1899 Gillespie to McQuade:

commencing at a point ninety four (94) feet east from the north east corner of East Sixth and North Alder Streets running one hundred and five (105) feet parallel with said North Alder Street in a northerly direction thence easterly twenty (20) feet thence southerly one hundred and five (105) feet thence westerly twenty (20) feet along the lines of East Sixth Street to the place of beginning the said tract of land and all the appurtances thereto belonging being the house and ground known as No. 508 East Sixth Street in the city of Leadville Lake county Colorado

Description of sale in February 6, 1901 Belle to Belle

the west seven (7) feet of lot numbered twenty four (24) in block numbered eighteen (18) in the Pine (?) subdivision of a portion of the surface of the Penrose Lode Mining Claim, US Survey No. 4311. This deed is intended to convey the west seven (7) feet of lot twenty four (24), block eighteen (18) in the xxxx subdivision conveyed to Mrs. Belle Gillespie by Jesse F. McDonald and Fred G. Buckley, deed dated December 11, 1899 and recorded in book 185 page 628 Lake County records, Leadville, Colorado.

Description of James H. Gillespie 1881 purchase:

one town lot or parcel of ground with improvements thereon situate in the city of Leadville said county and state and more particularly described as follows towit commencing at a point on East Sixth Street one hundred and fourteen feet east of the northeast corner of East Sixth and North Alder on the north side line of said East Sixth Street. Thence easterly along the line of said East Sixth Street twenty five feet thence northerly on a line at right angles with said street 105 feet thence westerly on a line parallel with said street 25 feet thence southerly 105 feet to place of beginning.

Description of 25 April 1887 transaction, Stickley to Gillespie

Surface of lot number 507 located on patent claim Grey Eagle No. 1090 x x survey and lot, fronts on East Sixth, between Alder and Orange Street and located on the south side of Sixth Street. My note: This is exactly the block where James and Belle lived.

Description of 9 July 1892, James to Belle.

It says the first lot is that which he bought from Isaac Kahn in 1881 – check. The second lot is one he bought from Sarah A. White on 14 Dec 1887, recorded 188-8. I don't have this record! (this is the lot 7, blk E in S&L subdiv.) Hmmm, see 11 Jul 1889...

Misc Notes:

Source notations are book and page where deed found.

add what I know about the mining claim in 1893

[also add the stuff found in the newspaper clippings]

Note to self: Indexes are really dates that deed was recorded vs. when transaction took place (might make a difference which index to look in)

Need to add dates that Freeman lode taxes were paid.