

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Colorado	
COUNTY: Lake	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 70-8-05-0010	DATE 8/25

1. NAME

COMMON:
Dexter Cabin

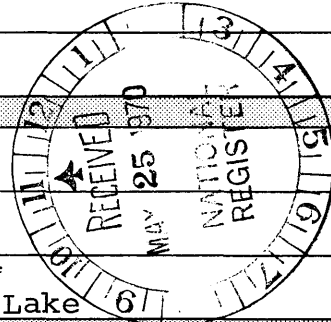
AND/OR HISTORIC:
Dexter Cabin

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
912 Harrison (Corner of E. Tenth)

CITY OR TOWN:
Leadville

STATE: Colorado CODE: 05 COUNTY: Lake CODE: 065



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
State Historical Society of Colorado

STREET AND NUMBER:
200 Fourteenth Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Denver STATE: Colorado CODE: 05

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
State Museum

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200 Fourteenth Avenue

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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
August R. Meyer Placer Survey #381 as per G. Ellis Burcaw (STATE) (108-81)

DATE OF SURVEY: 1879 as per 1964 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Copies at Colorado State Museum

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7. DESCRIPTION

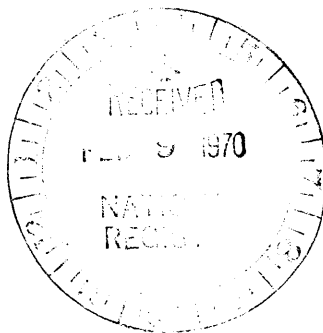
CONDITION	(Check One)						
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed	
	(Check One)			(Check One)			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Cabin appears today almost exactly as it did when the Leadville banker and mining magnate, James V. Dexter built it in 1879. The Cabin's exterior is constructed of square-hewn logs, chinked with plaster. Dexter, an ardent sportsman, utilized the cabin as a hunting lodge.

However, it is the interior of the lodge which draws interest. If the outside looks ordinary; the inside reflects what was then the elegant taste of the times. Dexter came from sea-faring people and this is reflected in the flooring of the Cabin which resembles ships' decking with its alternate light and dark boards. The wall covering is Lincrusta-Walton, a hand stamped paper board applied to the walls. In addition, Dexter had a Persian rug; a zinc-lined bathtub, and hand painted window blinds. In the completely furnished Cabin, all furniture is of the period; many pieces are the Dexter originals. The Dexter Cabin has been hailed as "the only mid-Victorian cabin in America."

Today, the Cabin has been relocated to the property of the State Historical Society of Colorado which is located at East Tenth and Harrison Streets. Along with the Healy House, the Dexter Cabin is open to the public, during season, free of charge.



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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1879**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
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<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry		_____
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

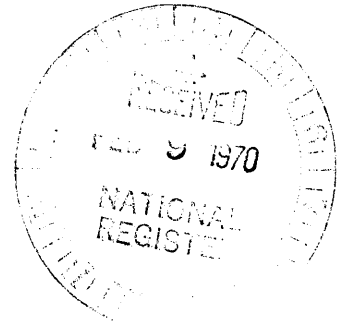
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Leadville's history as a mining camp is world known. The men and families which lived in Leadville made it such. The Dexter Cabin was built by one such man, James V. Dexter, in 1879. The style and taste of the Cabin reflect one facet of Leadville's "Elegant Eighties;" that of a wealthy mining magnate's way of life.

Chief significance of the Cabin lies in its interior decor. The style is mid-Victorian, a period which strove for the exotic and grandiose; for a multiplicity of texture, color and pattern.

That an early Leadville business man chose to express this mid-Victorian elegance within his hunting cabin while keeping the exterior of the log cabin severe, is itself an example of the complexity of the period's taste of decor.

The Cabin today is part of the State Historical Society of Colorado's regional museum system. Open to the public free of charge, the Cabin presents an example of Leadville's early development when mining contributed to a large part of Colorado's growth.



9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Colorado Magazine, journal of the State Historical Society,
Vol. XXIII, pp. 4, 28

Healy House and Dexter Cabin, a pamphlet of the State
Historical Society .

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	0 , "	0 , "				
SE	0 , "	0 , "				
SW	0 , "	0 , "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1.3 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Robert Fink, Assistant to the Director

ORGANIZATION: State Historical Society of Colorado DATE: 1/14/70

STREET AND NUMBER: 200 Fourteenth Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Denver STATE: Colorado CODE: 05

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Stephen H. Hart

Title State Liaison Officer

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest Allen Connally
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

AUG 25 1970

Date _____

ATTEST:

William J. Montez
Keeper of The National Register

Date MAY 23 1970

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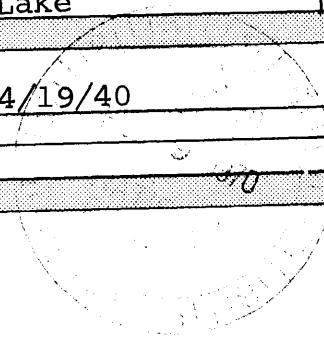
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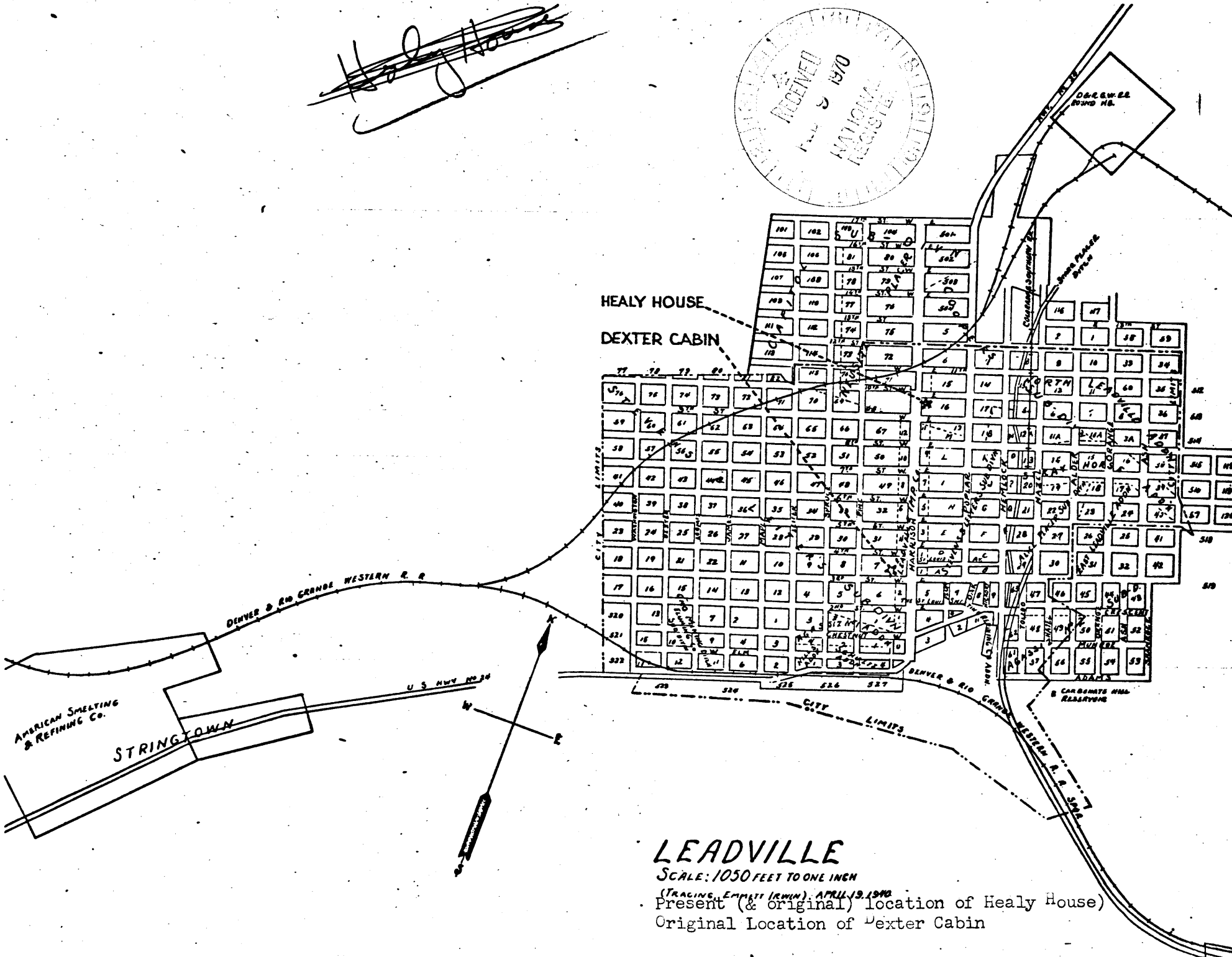
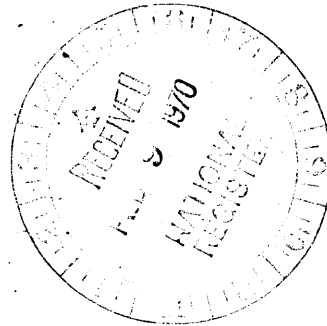
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SCALE: 1' = 1050'
DATE: 1940

4. REQUIREMENTS

- TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS
1. Property boundaries where required.
 2. North arrow.
 3. Latitude and longitude reference.



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LEADVILLE
SCALE: 1050 FEET TO ONE INCH

(TRACING EMPLOYER IRWIN) APRIL 19, 1970
Present (& original) location of Healy House
Original Location of Dexter Cabin

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SOURCE:

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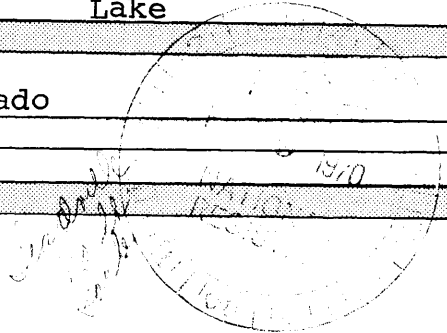
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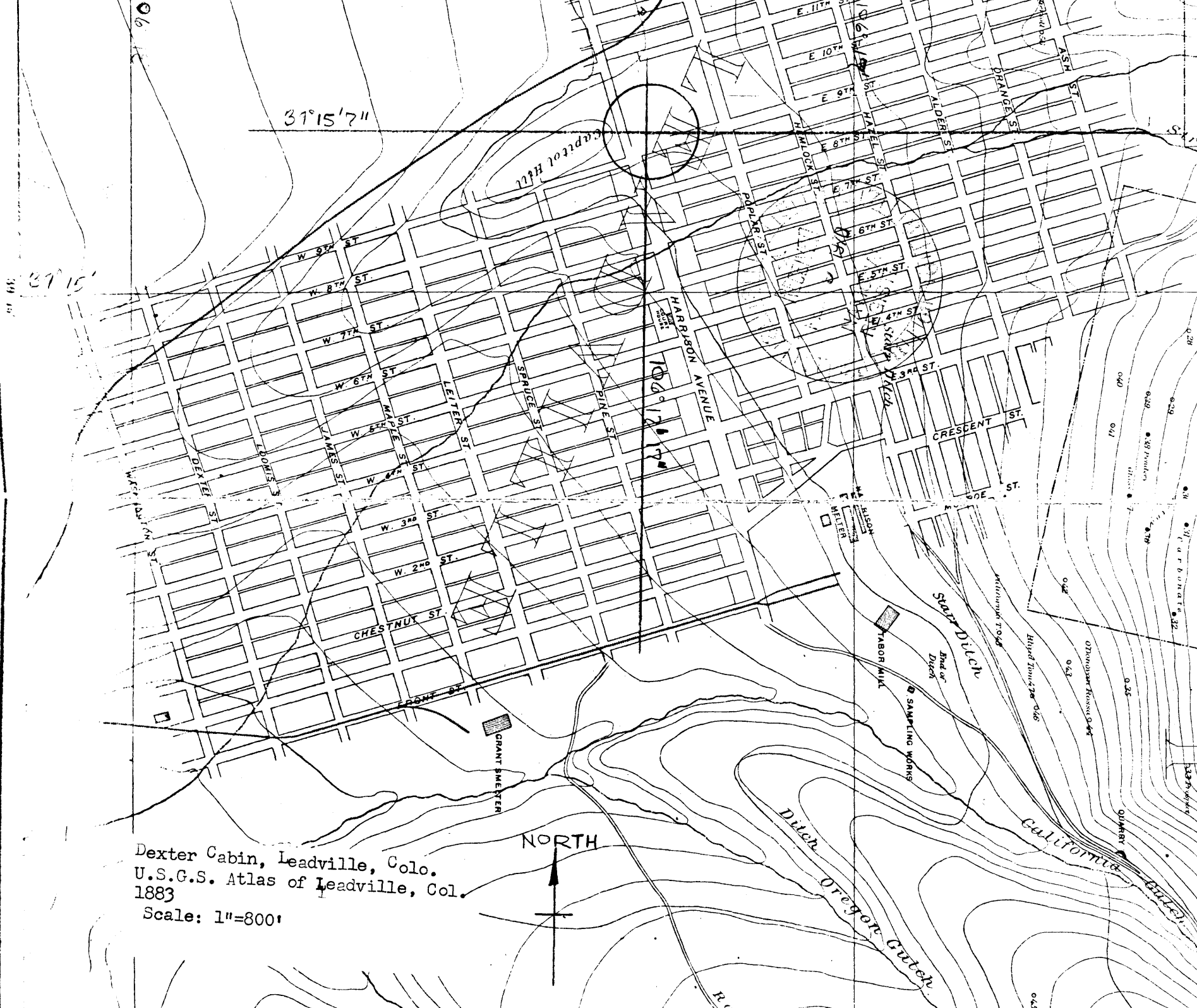
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Dexter Cabin, Leadville, Colo.
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1883
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NORTH



31°15'7"

37°15'

106

39 107

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1000'

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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
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SCALE: 1" = 50'			
DATE: 1895			
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