

# Charles Lavallee

## Montreal, Canada

1869 Augustin Lavallee (1816-1903) establishes a music shop in Montreal with son Charles (1850-1924) using the name Lavallee & Fils. They were violin makers and importers of other musical instruments. Charles was a conductor, cornetist, and music dealer.

1903 Augustin dies leaving the business to Charles. Together they made about 200 violins.

1924 Charles dies, probably ending the business.

Calixa Lavallee: brother of Charles; writes "O Canada" in 1880.

Joseph Lavallee: brother of Charles; trombone player in NYC

Information above from "The Canadian Encyclopedia"

Top two photos "Jubile" model cornet by Charles and dates to the 1890s or early 1900s; probably after his father had retired. It appears to be a stencil made in Europe, possibly by Bohland & Fuchs (auction sale photos).

Photo 3 is a later style cornet c.1910 (auction sale photo).

