

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)

