Gatineau's Reel

Traditional: arranged by Frank Ferrel

I have heard three different versions of this tune. The earliest is from an old London LP of Jean Carignan (Jean Carignan, le Violoneux, MB 78), where he plays it in a medley he calls “Danse de la Victoire”. I have also heard it played by Pete Dawson of Ontario on his album Fiddlin’ for Folk (Lofty LP # 1002); and by Joe Pancerzewski who says he learned it “up in Canada!”

I would be interested in hearing from collectors of Canadian fiddle music who would like to exchange tapes or records. In particular, early London, Banff, or Rodeo LP’s ca. 1955-1969, or any LP’s or 78’s of french Canadian fiddlers of that time, and early recordings of Joseph Allard, Joe Bouchard, Jean Carignan, George Wade & Cornhuskers. Also, I’m interested in obscure fiddle contests, or fiddlers from Cape Breton and Nova Scotia. Write me c/o the Bulletin.

Frank Ferrel