LA LAINE DES MOUTONS

(Québec - Canada)

A traditional song popular in France and Quebec in 3/4 waltz meter. It is an action-song where the dancers "mime" the actions connected with producing wool.

Meter:

3/4

Music:

Yves and France Moreau CD

Formation:

One or more closed circles (mixed). Hands in V pos. Face R of ctr (LOD);

wt on L.

Meter: 3/4	Description
Introduction:	8 meas. No action
1-8	1. Chorus step (travelling) Everybody in the circle circles R with little waltz steps
1-4 5-8	2. «Tondons » ("shearing") With R hand do a motion of cutting sheep's wool with shears (big scissors) Do same motion with L hand
1-4 5-8	3. «Lavons» ("washing") With both hands to the R, do a motion of washing sheep's wool on wash boards Do same motion to the L
1-4 5-8	4. «Cardons» ("carding") With R hand do a motion of carding (combing) sheep's wool Do same motion with L hand
1-4 5-8	5. «Filons» ("spinning") With R hand do a motion of spinning sheep's wool with spindle Do same motion with L hand
1-4 5-8	6. «Tissons» ("weaving") With R hand do a motion of pushing "shuttle" through loom and then pull loom twds you with both hands and repeat
1-8	Repeat motion of meas 1-4 7. «Vendons» ("selling") Do a motion of offering wool for sale with both hands to R and to L
	After doing all those actions. The remaining waltz instrumentals can be used to waltz around the room either as a line, alone or in cpls.
	Presented by Yves and France Moreau