

Off to California

Part A

Part B

"Off to California", in Gaelic "*Imtigte go California*", also known as "Bound For California", "The Fireman's Reel", "Going To California", "The Humours Of California", "The Juggler", "The Portsmouth Hornpipe" and "The Whiskey".

This Irish reel appears as a hornpipe in Samuel Bayard's **Dance to the Fiddle March to the Fife** #351. It also appears (in the key of A) in Sam Bayard's **Hill Country Tunes** #18. In southwestern Pennsylvania the tune is known as "Buttermilk and Cider" and is indexed as such in both Bayard texts. My version of Bayard's tune appears in the Old Time Tunes section.

Besides in Bayard, it has been printed in both O'Neill's **Music of Ireland: 1850 Melodies** (1903) and **Dance Music of Ireland: 1001 Gems** (1907).

It has been recorded by Fennigs All Stars, Hank Sapoznik, Andy McGann and Paddy Reynolds, Boys Of The Lough and others.