

the judges finally announce, and our friend is carried off the track on the shoulders of excited admirers, amid the cheers of an applauding assembly, the proud possessor of the double honour of "champion mile runner," and the holder of the "best on record" at that distance. His name, title, and performance are henceforth recognized in the sporting world, and he receives in addition tangible recognition in the shape of a handsome trophy.

The other "track events" are conducted in a similar manner, the judges having always a keen eye to detect competitors unlawfully jostling or "fouling" one another, and the judge of walking giving special attention to competitors in that event, adhering to the rules of square "heel and toe" paces, and, if these are infringed, to rule the offender off the track.

The weight throwing, leaps, and other "field events," are either carried on apart from those on the track in the morning of the day of the meeting, or during the progress of the races—usually the latter—and are conducted under well-defined rules, carefully drawn up to cover all the details regarding positions in and mode of weight throwing, measurements of "throws" and "puts," defining "balks," "trys," and "fouls" in the leaps, and so forth. It would, however, be tedious to enter here on a description of these in detail; anyone desiring fuller acquaintance with them, may easily procure copies of the "Laws of Athletics," on application to the secretary of any of the associations named.

In any of these events at a championship meeting the winner obtains that mystical, impalpable something called the "championship" of that particular competition, and holds it until subsequently defeated, or the event is run off at a duly qualified meeting, he not being entered. In bicycle championship meets the same general rules of the track prevail, subject to such modifications as this sport may demand. The laws governing snow-shoe racing are, in their general principles, the same, with the addition of those stipulating that the pair of "shoes" shall weigh, including strings, not less than 1½ lbs. at *start and finish*, measure at least 10 inches in width of "gut," and must—if "slipped"—be attached to the feet or ankles of the runner on his arrival at the winning post, to entitle him to claim the race.

Such, in brief, are some of the features of the modern Olympic games, where the coveted laurels and blue ribbons of the cinder-path are won. Any objectionable tendencies that may be connected with them—such as *betting* and the desire to *win* at all hazard of fair play and one's good name—are not inherent in the sports themselves, but are developed and fostered by the professional money-making element that is ever on the alert to toss a dishonest dollar. If the respectable gentleman-amateur will but set his face against these crooks and their ways, their trade will be gone; sport will be purged of their baleful influence, and athletics take their rightful place as a powerful factor in the education, building up, and strengthening of a sturdy, symmetrical, and evenly-developed manhood.

CANADIAN

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

"RECORDS,"

TO CLOSE OF SEASON 1890.

	M. S.
3 mile walk.....F. P. Murray, Will. Ath. Club, '83....	22 12
2 " run.....T. P. Connell, Man. A. C., '90....	9 34½
1 " ".....A. B. George, '90....	4 29½
880 yards ".....W. C. Downs, N. Y. A. C., '90....	1 59½

440 yards run.....M. Remington, M. A. C., '90....	50½
220 " ".....J. Owen, Detroit A. C., '90....	22½
100 " ".....Several Athletes, '85-'90....	10½
120 " (hurdles).....H. L. Williams, M. A. C., '90....	16

Ft. In.

Throwing 56 lbs.....J. S. Mitchell, N. Y. A. C., '90....	30 6½
Putting 16 lb. shot.....Geo. R. Gray, " '90....	43 7½
Throwing 16 lb. hammer.....J. S. Mitchell, " '90....	127 11
Running high jump.....W. B. Page, M. A. C., '87....	6 0½
" long " (scratch).....M. W. Ford, S. I. A. C., '89....	22 7½
Pole leap.....T. Ray, Ulv., Eng., '87....	10 11

AMERICAN

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

"RECORDS,"

TO CLOSE OF SEASON 1890.

	M. S.
3 mile walk.....G. D. Baird, Am. Ath. Club, '83....	22 8½
2 " run (Not included in programme.)	
1 " ".....A. B. George, Man. A. C., '90....	4 24½
880 yds. ".....H. L. Dadman, " '90....	1 59½
440 " ".....W. C. Downs, N. Y. A. C., '90....	50
220 " ".....F. Westing, M. A. C., '90....	22½
100 " ".....J. Owen, Detroit A. C., '90....	9½
120 " (hurdles).....F. Ducharme, " '90....	16

Ft. In.

Throwing 56 lbs.....C. A. J. Queckberner, M. A. C., '90....	32 10
Putting 16 lb. shot.....Geo. R. Gray, N. Y. A. C., '90....	43 9
Throwing " hammer.....J. S. Mitchell, " '90....	130 8
Running high jump.....W. B. Page, Un. of Pa., '87....	6 0½
" long " (scratch).....A. F. Copland, M. A. C., '90....	23 3½
Pole leap.....H. H. Baxter, N. Y. A. C., '83....	11 0½

WORLD

AMATEUR

"RECORDS,"

TO CLOSE OF SEASON 1890.

	M. S.
3 mile walk.....F. P. Murray, New York City, Nov. 6, '83.....	21 09½
2 " run.....W. G. George, London, Eng., April 26, '84.....	9 17½
1 " ".....W. G. George, Birmingham, Eng., June 21, '84.....	4 18½
880 yds. ".....F. J. K. Cross, Oxford, Eng., March 9, '88.....	1 54½
440 " ".....W. Baker, Boston, Mass., July 1, '86.....	47½
220 " ".....C. G. Wood, London, Eng., June 25, July 27, '87....	21½
100 " ".....J. Owen, Washington, D.C., Oct. 11, '90.....	9½
120 " (hurdles).....4 English and 3 American Athletes....	16

Ft. In.

Throwing 56 lbs. { (Unlimited run, with follow.) J. S. Mitchell, Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 25, '88.....	36 6
Putting 16 lb. shot.....Geo. R. Gray, New York City, Sept. 20, '90.....	46 2
Throwing " hammer { (Handle and run unlimited, follow.) G. H. Hales, London, Eng., April 7, '76.....	138 3
Running high jump.....W. B. Page, Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 7, '87.....	6 4
" long " (scratch).....A. F. Copland, Washington, D.C., Oct. 7, '90.....	23 3½
Pole leap.....E. L. Stokes, Southport, Eng., June 2, '88.....	11 7