

FRANCIS MAULE CAMPBELL (1843-1920)

Francis Maule Campbell was born in Blackheath in 1843 to Dawson Campbell (1807-1844) – a wine merchant – and Jane Rebecca Amelia Ann Sutton (1812-1899). He was the second child of two. He attended Blackheath Proprietary School and played for the Old Blackheathens Football Club, later Blackheath FC, holding the positions of treasurer and secretary.

Francis Maule Campbell represented Blackheath FC at the meetings that led to the formation of the FA in 1863, and was vocal in the dispute over the inclusion of hacking in the laws of the game. Despite the laws excluding hacking and Blackheath leaving the FA, Campbell agreed to continue his role as treasurer.

After the foundation of the FA, Francis Maule Campbell relocated with his extended family to Wales and continued to work as a wine merchant. Francis Maule Campbell died aged 77 on 30 December 1920 in Reigate.

Francis Maule Campbell married Maria Louisa Walmsley (1838-1918) in 1902 and Maud Beatrice Dunkerley (1843-unknown) on 7 October 1920 in Kensington.