

Winterthour. He absconded about the 16th April last, taking with him about £2,880. Warrant issued in Switzerland. A reward of 5 per cent. on the amount recovered, or at least £80, will be paid to any person giving information leading to the arrest of this offender. If found in Victoria he should be kept under surveillance, and information sent to the Detective Office, Melbourne, where warrant will be obtained under the Fugitive Offenders Statute. Likeness of offender in Melbourne Detective Office.—O. 3651.—15th June, 1883.

Extracts from South Australian Police Gazette.

(From *Police Gazette*, 1883, pages 86 and 106.)

WILLIAM THOMAS, *alias* Cumming, *alias* Lloyd, &c., age from thirty-five to forty years, height 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, stout build, dark complexion, dark hair beard whiskers and moustache; wore dark tweed clothes; for on the 28th ultimo forging

and uttering to William David Furge, at Adelaide, a cheque for £3 10s. on the Bank of South Australia, purporting to be signed by Laughton and Co. There are many similar cases against this offender, who is identical with George Thompson, *alias* Roberts. (See *Police Gazette*, 1879, page 37, "Miscellaneous Information.")—C. 980.

Re William Thomas, *alias* Cumming, &c., on warrant, for forging and uttering: This offender is identical with Arthur Leslie, *alias* Henderson, *alias* McDonald, convicted at Sydney in August, 1879, on similar charges.—C. 980. He is also identical with Arthur Leslie, convicted on the 23rd August, 1881, at Melbourne, for fraudulent representations, and is described as follows: Forty-six years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high; sallow complexion, brown hair, hazel eyes, a native of London or America, says he is an agent and surveyor. His arrest is of the utmost importance. Photograph in Commissioner's office, Wellington.