Offer of 300 merino rams from John Macarthur

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To 4368 acres

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Government House

Sydney 2nd March 1820

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter dated yesterday on the subject of
the 300 young Rams of the merino blood tendered
by you to Government for the purpose of being
sent to improve the breed of sheep at Van
Diemens Land; and as you have agreed
to receive payment for them in Land at
the rate of seven shillings and sixpence

per acre, I agree, on the part of Government to purchase the three hundred Rams in question at the rate of five guineas for each.

I therefore request you will order
them to be sent to Sydney forthwith in order
that they may be embarked on the Ship
Eliza now under Dispatch for Van

Diemens

Diemens Land.
I have the honor to be
I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obed ^t Serv ^t
(signed) L Macquarie
То
Jnº Macarthur Esq ^{re}

Parramatta