LOCATION OF PENINSULA FARM

The Hardey and Clarkson families from the ship Tranby chose land on the Peninsula to establish their farms because of “its superior location being situated between the two chief towns in the colony, Perth and Guildford.” A peninsula is a piece of land almost surrounded by water. As you can see from the map, Peninsula Farm was surrounded by the Swan River on three sides. The soil was fertile because of the rich mud deposited by floods over the years. By 1860 Joseph Hardey owned most of the land on the Peninsula as John Wall Hardy and the Clarkson families had moved to farm in other regions. The Hardey family owned Peninsula Farm until it was sold in 1913.

Using the map above, discuss with students what is common to each of the land grants and reasons why. The term used to describe these parcels of land was ribbon grants.