

## FERRY CROSSINGS



Three ferry crossings (lightly drawn lines across the river) can be seen on the map drawn by James Mayhew in 1875. One (far left) was in Triana. Ten miles separated Huntsville from the Tennessee River; Thomas Fearn and LeRoy Pope headed the Indian Creek Navigation Company that built a canal from Hunt's Spring Branch via Indian Creek to the Tennessee River. The canal was said to be ready to ship cotton in 1827. It was completed in April 1831. It lost feasibility in 1845—the Whitesburg Turnpike was completed and drew the business from Triana. The Whitesburg Pike (now Memorial Parkway) led to the Ditto landing ferry (far right on the map). The ferry crossing shown on the map to the right of center was Lehman's (Leeman's) Ferry.