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TOURING SULLIVAN COUNTY'S MUSEUM . . . while dusting

More pictures from the photographer Ernest H. Kimball (1868-1938). The second Sullivan County Courthouse was built by the Lawrence Bros. of Dushore in 1894.

In the first photo, you can see the appendage which was part of the jail and sheriff housing, with a barn showing on what was the Mason home property. On the left is the edge of what today is the park across Main Street.

In the second photo, the small building behind the courthouse was built in 1880 to house the excess records of what was outgrowing that first courthouse. Today that structure is the nucleus of the Sullivan County Historical Society's museum main building on what was then Raspberry Alley (today it is called Meylert Street). Note the windmill for pumping water. Also, the line of trees along the alley.

Eventually, the courthouse square needed to be fenced off with the wrought iron fencing (sections of which can be seen today outside the museum) surrounding the square. The reason for placing the fence all the way around the square was to keep cattle from eating the grass, newly planted trees and shrubbery as they roamed freely about the town.

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