Alms House Additions
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In the second volume of the Alms House records (p. 281), Lois Barris pointed out that some of the annual Town Supervisors reports provided lists of residents. She also reminded us that there is a complete set of the Proceedings at Reed Library.

Because the Barker Historical Museum recently acquired a copy of the 1890 report, I thought it would be useful to see if the names in that volume were all included in the Alms House records. I checked each Pomfret entry in the 1890 volume, and checked some others randomly, and found that the following were not included in the Alms House volume:

James Sullivan, admitted 1 October 1889, died 16 October 1889.
Susan Fuller inmate 1 October 1889.
The following were listed as removed to the Home at Randolph:
Anna Nichol, Cherry Creek
Mabel Parr, Hanover
Carrie Harrington, Jamestown [probably the infant daughter of Rose Harrington recorded on p. 175 of Book 2 of the Alms House work]
Oscar Johnson, Chautauqua

From this small sampling, it would seem that it would be a useful project to cross-check all the entries in whichever volumes of Proceedings contain names against the lists in the Alms House publication.