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June 11th, 2003

Dear Mrs. Baker,

I have noted with surprise that nowhere in this essay have I mentioned the fact that the name "Cagacet" was given to the farm by my grandfather, Seth Morton Vose, Sr. He said that it means "Old Man's Post" in the Indian language, "presumably the Narragansett."

I have never been able to confirm this translation.

I have a copy of the dictionary of the Narragansett language by my tenth generation grandfather, Roger Williams, but it does not help. I believe there is a point of land just below Cagacet which was once called Cagacet Point, and I think a similar name used in the Southern part of the Island.

Sincerely

S. Morton Vose II