

Walter Bunce House  
34 Bidwell Street  
Manchester, Connecticut

While there are many structures in the South that can be attributed to the craftsmanship of African Americans. There are few such structures in New England. The building located at 34 Bidwell Street in Manchester is one. Alpheus Quicy was the builder.

Alpheus Quicy was born June 1774 to Cudgo Quaggeryquise (name changed to Quaggery Quicy) and Milcha Perkins. He along with his father and brother Henry dealt in real estate in Southeastern Connecticut. Quicy became a stonemason. He built several field stone houses for prominent citizens in Manchester and many dams all over town. Only one of the field stone houses constructed by Quicy still stands today. It is the one at 34 Bidwell Street.