

33d. Did you ask any person or persons for whom they had voted at any former election?

A. We did.

34th. Did you or not enquire of applicants who had taken the oath, if their sympathies or feelings were not with the South?

A. We asked that question but we often explained, that we did not mean for the sufferings of humanity but for the cause of the Confederates.

35th. Was not an admission before you, that a man's sympathies were with the South, that is, with the South because of the oppression of the North, considered sufficient cause for disqualification?

A. It was not.

36th. I mean, was not a man's admission before you, that the Government was wrong in prosecuting the war and ought not to continue it, considered evidence of disloyalty?

A. We had no such a case to my knowledge.

37th. Did you always require proof that the applicant, (to use the language of the Constitution,) had by open word or deed, declared his adhesion to those who were in armed rebellion against the United States, or had openly expressed his desire for their triumph?

A. Where they made confession we did not require proof, where to our certain knowledge we did not require proof, otherwise we did.

38th. Did you ask the applicants if they had openly expressed a desire for the triumph of the South, or did you only ask if their sympathies were with the cause of the South?

A. I don't recollect whether we asked, whether they were open or not. We did ask such questions which we thought would get us the information necessary.

39th. Was it not deemed sufficient to disqualify an applicant if he admitted to the board, that he thought the South was in the right?

A. We had no such case to my knowledge.

40th. Was not opposition to the governments war policy and unwillingness of the applicant, that the Government should continue the war, sufficient for disqualification?

A. No sir, it was not.

41st. Did your board sit on the two last days appointed by law for the receiving of applications (before publication of list) or on any other days in lieu of them?