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ANTE AND POST-PARTAL EXAMINATIONS.*

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Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—A few months ago I read a short paper touching upon some of the points contained herein, but I believe the subject is sufficiently important to warrant a further reference to the matter, and trust that those of you before whom the question was discussed on a previous occasion will bear with me if I find it necessary to repeat some things which were said at that time.

ANTE-PARTAL EXAMINATIONS.

Under this heading I include: (a) General examination of mother. (b) Urinary examinations. (c) Special abdominal examination, including pelvimetry. (d) Vaginal examinations.

General Examinations.—The history of the patient will, of course, have a great deal to do with the extent of our general examination, but a careful examination should always be made of her heart at a period sufficiently long before the probable date

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