

myomata. In each the history was absolutely against pregnancy, but upon this we cannot rely in the majority of the colored race. In each of the three I carefully made an incision until the nodule was detected and then did a hysterectomy. These are but a few instances of the difficulties that arise in making an absolute diagnosis in cases in which myomata are suspected.

After a careful study of many cases and finding that the operative mortality is as low as, or even lower than that which follows where patients are not subjected to operation, I feel that the only patients that should be advised against operation are those who exhibit no symptoms or where the myomata are very small and give rise to little or no trouble.

I am afraid my remarks have been too lengthy, but the subject is a very important one and merits, I feel, all the time you have so kindly allowed me to occupy.

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