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THE PÉAN-SEGOND OPERATION (VAGINAL TOTAL EXTIRPATION OF THE UTERUS AND ADNEXA) IN SUPPURATIVE DISEASES OF THE FEMALE PELVIS.

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THE proposition first made by Péan, that the uterus should be removed together with the appendages in case of suppurative disease in the pelvis, came like a shock to surgeons, even to those who are considered radical in their opinions regarding operation in inflammatory diseases of the uterine appendages. Operators who performed abdominal section and ablation of the ovaries upon indications considered totally unjustifiable by many were taken aback by a proposition so revolutionary. And yet the foremost advocate of total extirpation in the United States is one