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The Treatment of Tumors of the Bladder.\*

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THE treatment of tumors of the bladder by radical operation is an advance mainly of the last ten or twelve years. Our information as to their removal has been the result mainly of the experience of comparatively few surgeons, whose work lies largely in genito-urinary surgery. My own experience has been very limited and, as far as I know, I think my colleagues in the Toronto General Hospital are in much the same state. Such experience as I have had I bring in as brief a manner as possible before this Association, hoping that some of the members may have been more fortunate, and that they will give their experience of the difficulties they met with and add thereby to the sum total of our knowledge. Everyone concedes that our aim should be, early recognition of the tumor, a diagnosis of its kind, and its prompt and complete removal, if it is suitable for operation.

Early recognition: It is easy to recognize them early. I think that in the early stage of all tumors of the bladder by no symptoms do they

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