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Clinical Notes on Hysterectomy for Large Fibroids.*

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At the meeting of the Southern Surgical and Gynæcological Society held at Richmond, Va., in 1891, I advocated total extirpation of the uterus for large fibroids and outlined a method of procedure. On November 3rd, 1891, I carried out this procedure and performed the operation of total extirpation of the uterus in a young woman in the Pavilion of the Toronto General Hospital in the presence of the Superintendent, a body of students and house staff. The operation was performed as originally outlined.

The patient was placed in Trendelenburg's position, the tumor was drawn out of the abdomen, the ovarian artery was ligated on each side, the small artery running to the round ligament was ligated on each side, the uterine artery was ligated on each side, and a clamp

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