



FIG. 200.—Dissection of temporal bone, showing course of facial canal in its vertical and tympanic portion—wire directed through canal. Posterior to the bend is the eminence of the lateral semicircular canal; anterior to the nerve lies the tympanic cavity. Note the straight course of the nerve from its position anterior and below the eminence of the lateral semicircular canal to the stylomastoid foramen. Identification of the nerve at these two points—just below the lateral semicircular canal and at the stylomastoid foramen—is the keynote to the exposure of the nerve through its vertical course. (Ney. *The Laryngoscope*, 1922)