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enable it to discover its prey. The Tarsier (genus *Tarsius*) or spectro-lemur, of the Malay islands, is a small long-tailed nocturnal lemur, remarkable for the curious development of the hind feet, which have two of the toes very short and with sharp claws, while the others have nails, the third toe being exceedingly long and slender, though the thumb is very large, giving the feet a very irregular and *outré* appearance. Even more curious is the Aye-aye of Madagascar (*Chiromys*), the most remarkable of all the lemurs. This animal has very large ears and a squirrel-like tail, with long spreading hair. It has large curved



FIG. 41.—GRAY LORIS (*Nycticebus cinereus*).

incisor teeth, which add to its squirrel-like appearance and caused the early naturalists to class it among the rodents. But its most remarkable character is found in its fore-feet or hands, the fingers of which are all very long and armed with sharp curved claws, but one of them, the second, is wonderfully slender, being not half the thickness of the others. This curious combination of characters shows that the aye-aye is a very specialized form—that is, one whose organisation has been slowly modified to fit it for a peculiar mode of life. From information received from its

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