A B S T R A C T

Equipment for sorting articles (3), for sorting the articles into receptacles (6) that are open at their tops, e.g. bags, is characterized in that it comprises shuttle cart and trolley assemblies (2) that are suitable for being moved independently so that each of them moves an article from a loading point (4) to a receptacle, in that each of the shuttle cart and trolley assemblies has a carrying deck (10) for carrying an article, which deck is suitable for overlying the opening in the top of a receptacle, and in that retaining means (16) are provided above the openings in the receptacles, which retaining means leave a space (18) for allowing a carrying deck to pass between the retaining means and the opening in a receptacle, and retain the article loaded on the carrying deck above the opening in the receptacle when the shuttle cart and trolley assembly moves away from the receptacle in such a manner that the article falls by gravity into the receptacle.