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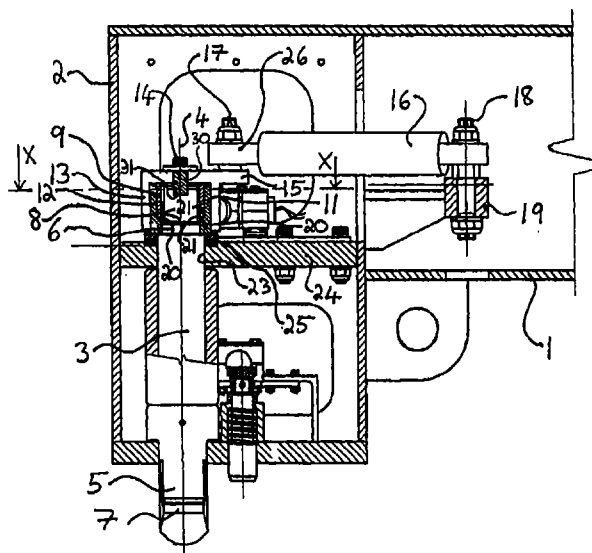
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(57) Abstract: Apparatus for lifting a freight container has a frame (1) and a number of pickup elements (3) coupled to the frame (1). Each pickup element (3) has an engagement end (5), adapted to engage with an engagement aperture in a freight container, and a fixing end (6). The fixing end (6) is secured to the frame and the fixing end (6) includes a threaded formation (8) formed in the fixing end. A threaded member (9) is engaged with the thread formation (8). A fixing member (11, 12) is engaged with the threaded member (9) and a retaining device (13) retains the fixing member (11, 12) in engagement with the threaded member (9). The fixing member (11, 12) securing the pickup element (3) to the frame (1) when the fixing end (6) of the pickup element (3) is positioned in a securing position on the frame (1) and the fixing member (11, 12) is engaged with the threaded member (9).

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