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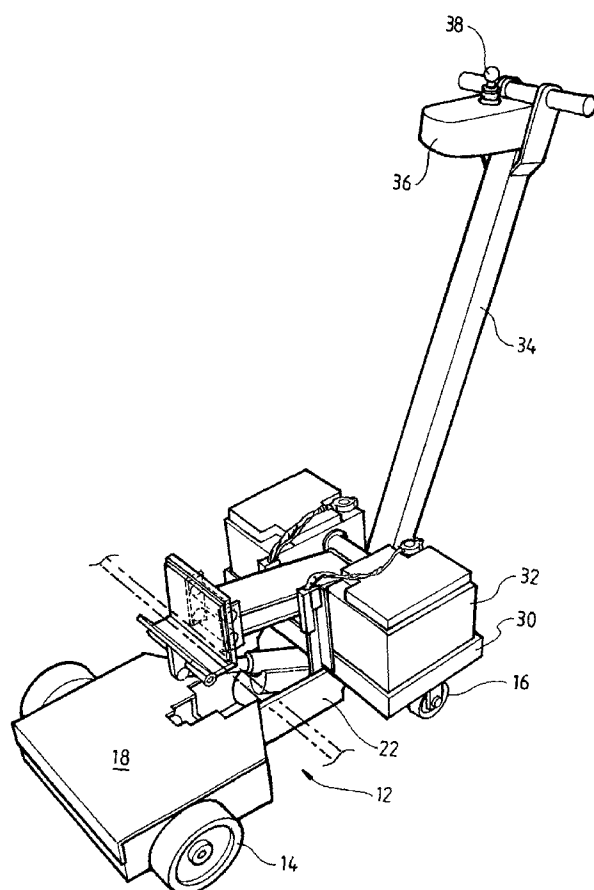
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(57) Abstract: The invention concerns a lifting device (10). The device includes a base frame (12) said frame having associated drive means; a lifting arm (44) connected at a first end thereof to the frame (42), said lifting arm being pivotally movable with respect to the frame and being movable between a withdrawn condition and an extended lifting condition; and a lifting cradle (52) located at a free end of said lifting arm, said lifting cradle being movable between open and engaged positions. The device is suitable for use in the movement of hospital beds and trolleys.

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