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(54) A moving walkway.

A moving walkway which has a main support belt (50) having a secondary support belt (51) which lies thereover over most of the run of the main support belt but extends therebeyond at each end thereof to terminate closely adjacent a further support belt (20) with means (10) between the secondary support belt and the further support belt over which a passenger can pass whilst being propelled forwardly by either the secondary support belt (51) or the further support belt (20).

Also described is a hand rail assembly, the speed of which can vary so as to be complementary to the variations in the speed of the walkway

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