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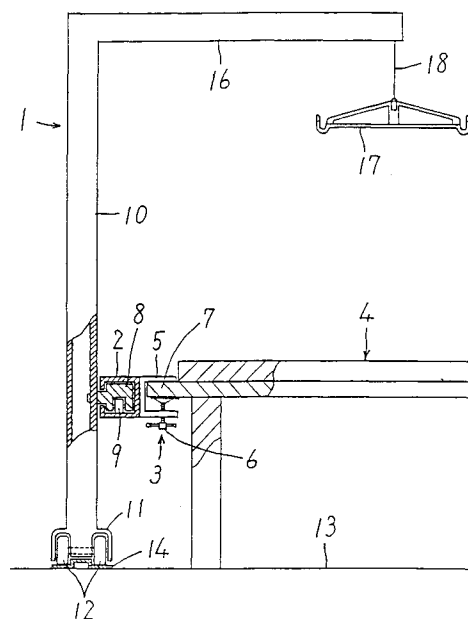
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(54) **Lift apparatus for invalid**

(57) A lift apparatus for an invalid comprises a guide rail (57a) which is detachably mounted on a bed (52) on one longitudinal end thereof to extend widthwise along the bed (52), a movable body (58a, 58b) which is guided to be movable along the guide rail (57a), and lift means (51) which is mounted on the movable body (58a, 58b). The lift means (51) includes an upright (59) which is fixed to the movable body (58a) on a side portion to extend in the vertical direction, and an arm member (65) having a first end which is coupled to an upper end portion of the upright (59) and a second end which serves as a working end. The guide rail is mounted on a movable part of a vertically movable bed (52), and the movable body (58a) is vertically slidably mounted on the upright (59). According to this structure, the upright of the lift means itself is not vertically moved but enables cross-directional movement along the guide rail upon vertical movement of the movable part of the bed comprising a vertically movable mechanism.

FIG. 1





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