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(54) **Transporting and storage device for tools and other items**

(57) A tool trolley has a pair of end-to-end panels (12,14) carrying tools such as spanners in individual array so they can easily be selected for use. The trolley is long and narrow so it can pass through narrow passages and is convenient for storing in a restricted space.

The panels (12,14) are mounted on a frame (2) so that they can be swung to ease access to the tool array.

They can be dismantled from the frame (2). The frame (2) is rectangular and has apertures (28) in an upper beam (10) and corresponding recesses (30) in a base beam (4) of the frame (2). These apertures and recesses accommodate the handles of long-handled tools holding them upright on the trolley enhancing its versatility.

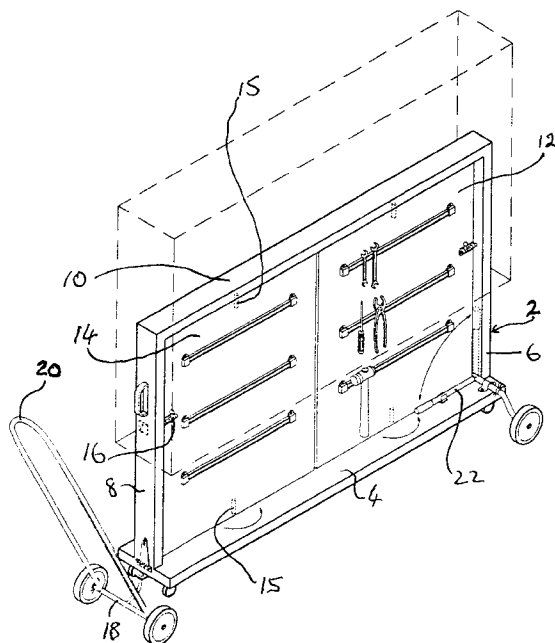


FIG. 1

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arrangement of the upstanding support

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