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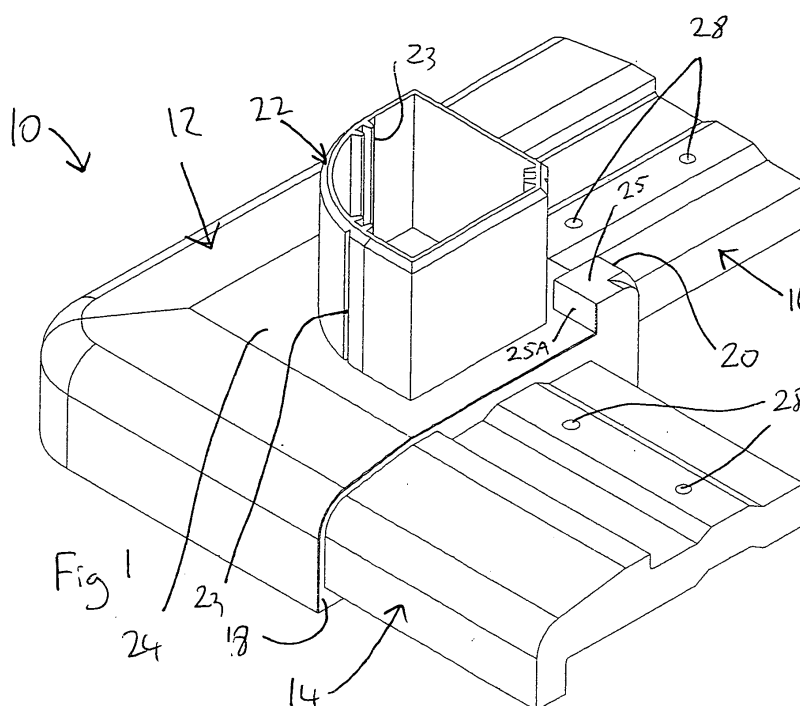
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(54) **Corner member and a load transmission member**

(57) A corner member (10) for a building construction. The corner member (10) comprises a main body (12) and connection means on the main body (12) to co-operate with at least one laterally extending elongate support members of the building construction. The corner

member (10) has an abutment face (18) to abut an end of the elongate support member, such that the abutment face (18) is arrangeable to extend, in use, substantially orthogonal to the main axis of the elongate support member.





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- 1-10
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1. claims: 1-10

corner member with abutment face to abut an end of the
elongate support member

2. claims: 11-20

constraining member for a post within the span of a
laterally extending elongate member (e.g. a beam)

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