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 - 3: Carlsson, Andreas
- c. Title of invention: GRIPPING ARRANGEMENT FOR GRIPPING CASING

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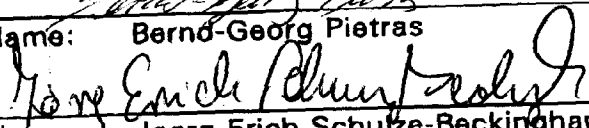
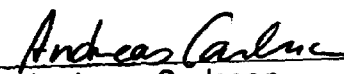
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