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2. Part II, Rule 1.—Is it considered that small iron or wooden crosses are permissible monuments in a Government cemetery?

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ORDER—dated 24th April 1888, No. 53, Ecclesiastical.

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(True Extract.)

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