



KNIGHTS OF THE THISTLE - Brethren of the Order
 attend divine service at St. Giles' Cathedral.
 -Edinburgh-

Picture.:- In the year sixteen hundred and eighty seven King James the Second wishing to honour certain Scottish gentlemen whose fidelity to the crown was outstanding, formed a new order of "Most Noble Knights of the Thistle" which he dedicated to St. Andrew. Membership consisted of the Sovereign and eight Knight Companions. It lapsed after a year, owing to troublesome times in Scottish history, but was revived by Queen Anne. Now, following tradition, once every year His Majesty the King, Sovereign of the historic order, commands the holding of divine --

--service for the Knights of the Order in the Thistle Chapel at Edinburgh.