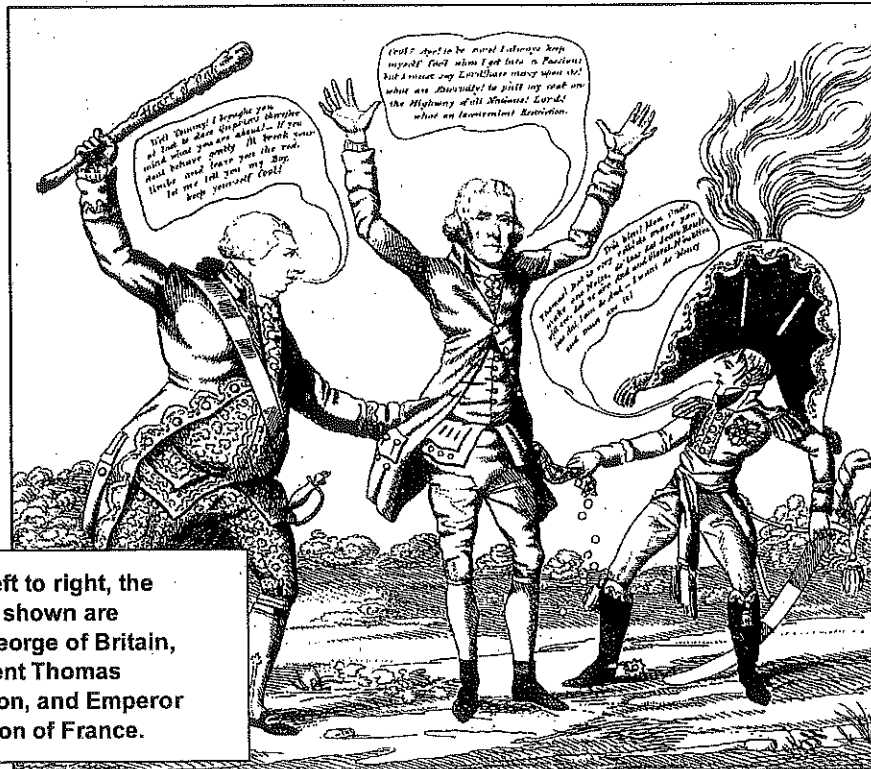


Cartoon 12

Political Cartoons

Caught between Britain and France



The Granger Collection, New York

ANALYZING POLITICAL CARTOONS

Study the political cartoon, and then answer the questions that follow.

1. This cartoon shows President Thomas Jefferson caught between King George and Napoleon during the time of the Napoleonic Wars, when France fought against Britain. Why do you think the cartoonist portrayed Jefferson in this way?

2. This cartoon appeared after President Thomas Jefferson proposed and Congress passed the Embargo Act in 1807. What do you think the cartoonist is trying to represent by showing money being ripped out of Jefferson's pants?

3. What incident involving British and American ships led to the Embargo Act?
