In this cartoon, Thomas Jefferson kneels before the altar of Gallic despotism as God and an American eagle attempt to prevent him from destroying the United States Constitution. He is depicted as about to fling a document labeled "Constitution & Independence U.S.A." into the fire fed by the flames of radical writings. Jefferson's alleged attack on George Washington and John Adams in the form of a letter to Philip Mazzei falls from Jefferson's pocket. Jefferson is supported by Satan, the writings of Thomas Paine, and the French philosophers.
"An Available Candidate: The One Qualification for a Whig President". Political cartoon about the 1848 presidential election which refers to Zachary Taylor or Winfield Scott, the two leading contenders for the Whig Party nomination in the aftermath of the Mexican-American War. Published by Nathaniel Currier in 1848, digitally restored.
Title: [Uncle Sam standing on a map of the United States, reeling in his fishing lines which have hooked Hawaii, the Philippines, Cuba and Puerto Rico]
Creator(s): Bartholomew, Charles Lewis, 1869-1949, artist
Date Created/Published: [1898]
For reference the text of the board in the back of the picture says: "The consent of the governed is a good thing in theory but very rare in fact. England has governed her colonies whether they consented or not, by not waiting for their consent she has greatly advanced the world's civilization. The U.S. must govern its new territories with or without their consent until they can govern themselves."