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The Desperate Debtors: Shay's Rebellion

Directions: Answer all questions. Handwritten answers only. Blue or Black ink.

1. What were three reasons for the financial troubles faced by many Massachusetts citizens?
2. Why were people throughout the US interested/concerned about the turmoil in Massachusetts?
3. In what ways did Thomas Jefferson and George Washington differ in their opinions about Shay's Rebellion?
4. What changes, in the law, did the farmers desire?
5. Define and then describe the importance of both the Riot Act and the Indemnity Act?
6. What did Daniel Shay urge the people to do in his letter to the western town?
7. Write a complete thesis **paragraph** on the following prompt?

Prompt: To what extent did Shay's Rebellion (1787) mirror Bacon's Rebellion (1676)? In your answer, be sure to address the political, social, and economic causes and effects.