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SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

WARM-UP DOCUMENTS ANALYSIS CHART

Which account do you find more believable? Why?

| Document | Publication date | According to this article, what happened to the <i>Maine</i> ? | What information is included to support this version of the story? | Write a quotation that contrasts with something written in the other document. |
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| A <i>Journal</i> | | | | |
| B <i>Times</i> | | | | |

Compare the evidence used by both newspapers to support their claims about what happened to the *Maine*. Which newspaper uses stronger evidence? Explain.