

'Retrospective Science' (pub. 30.04.15-17:06). Quote in M. Bergman & S. Paavola (Eds.), *The Commens Dictionary: Peirce's Terms in His Own Words. New Edition*. Retrieved from <http://www.commens.org/dictionary/entry/quote-basis-pragmatism-8>.

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**Term:** Retrospective Science

**Quote:** ...since the beginning of the nineteenth century, when Coleridge so defined it in the opening dissertation to the *Encyclopaedia Metropolitana*, non-scientific people have generally understood "science" to mean systematized knowledge.

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The present writer [—] will call science in the Coleridgean sense *retrospective science*.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1906). *The Basis of Pragmatism*. MS [R] 283.

**References:** EP 2:372

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