Term: Pragmatism

Quote: ...the doctrine he called Pragmatism, namely, that every concept (as distinguished from a generalized sensation, such as 'red') is equivalent to a conditional purpose, should one have certain desires and certain types of experience, to act in a certain general way.


Date of Quote: 1904

Editorial Annotations: This quote has been taken from Kenneth Laine Ketner's 1983 reconstruction of Peirce's 'Autobiography'.

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