**Term:** Firstness  
**Quote:** ...*Firstness*, or the mode of being of that which is such as regardless of anything else, as exemplified by simple Qualities of feeling...  
**References:** Peirce, 1983, p. 78; MS [R] L107:5 - MS [R] 914:5  
**Date of Quote:** 1904  
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