

'Chance' (pub. 16.10.15-18:28). 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-cambridge-lectures-reasoning-and-logic-things-causation-and-force>.

Term: Chance

Quote: Chance [...] as an objective phenomenon, is a property of a *distribution*. That is to say, there is a large collection consisting, say, of colored things and of white things. Chance is a particular manner of distribution of color among all the things. But in order that this phrase should have any meaning, it must refer to some definite arrangement of all the things.

Source: Peirce, C. S. (1898). *Cambridge Lectures on Reasoning and the Logic of Things: Causation and Force*. MS [R] 443.

References: RLT 204; CP 6.74

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