Term: Firstness
Quote: In the contents of consciousness we recognize three sorts of elements, Firstness, Secondness, Thirdness. A First is whatever it is in itself regardless of all else whether exterior to it or parts of it. […] Firstness is feeling-quality; secondness is brute reaction; thirdness is mediation.

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