Term: Symbol

Quote: [Symbols are] signs which represent their objects simply because they will be so understood, or arbitrary signs. [...] The denotation of a symbol is always definitely general, that is it stands for any object its interpreter may choose provided it be of a certain description, and not merely for some unspecified object of that description which its utterer may have in mind.


References: MS [R] 842:33-34

Date of Quote: 1908 [c.]

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