Term: Maxim of Pragmatism

Quote: Consider what effects that might conceivably have practical bearings, especially in modifying habits or as implying capacities, - you conceive the object of your conception to have. Then your (interpretational) conception of those effects is the whole (meaning of) your conception of the object.


References: MS [R] 322:11-12

Date of Quote: 1907 [c.]

Editorial Annotations: According to Peirce, the words between the dashes and in the parentheses are additions meant to clarify the original maxim.

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