Term: Sign
Quote: I am now prepared to risk an attempt at defining a sign, - since in scientific inquiry, as in other enterprises, the maxim holds, _Nothing hazard, nothing gain_. I will say that a sign is anything, of whatsoever mode of being, which mediates between an object and an interpretant; since it is both determined by the object _relatively to the interpretant_, and determines the interpretant _in reference to the object_, in such wise as to cause the interpretant to be determined by the object through the mediation of this “sign.”
References: EP 2:410
Date of Quote: 1907
URL: http://www.commens.org/dictionary/entry/quote-pragmatism-49