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**Term:** Inference

**Quote:** When it happens that a new belief comes to one as consciously generated from a previous belief, - an event which can only occur in consequence of some third belief (stored away in some dark closet of the mind, as a habit of thought) being in a suitable relation to that second one, - I call the event and inference, or a reasoning.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1913). *An Essay toward Improving Our Reasoning in Security and in Uberty*. MS [R] 682.

**References:** EP 2:463

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