

greatest pleasure
and the one for
which I was willing
at any time to
leave all else.

Your^d last Sunday
came promptly, at
the regular time, and
gave me very great
pleasure, especially
the part that said,
"I could live any where
with you and could be
happy". Ah! Julia, I would
be less than mortal
(or more) if I could
read those words from
you; unmoved.

I will not attempt
to answer your
letter, in detail, now
as I hope to be able

Mt Vernon Ill.
- Jan'y 5th 1872

Dear Julia

The last Sunday
letter has at length been
commenced, our weary
weeks and months, ~~and~~
of waiting, are nearly
over. Ere this reaches
you, I will, (nothing
happening) be a good
deal more than half
- pray to you.

When I look back
over the last four
months, I think that,
weary and long, as
the time has often