

prepare those for the wintertime? Did you--)

Mrs. Downing: (In Cherokee)

(Mrs. Carey's answer's in Cherokee)

PRESERVATION OF FOODS FOR WINTER

Mrs. Downing: In the cellar.

(Down in the cellar?)

They just make a hole/in there a long time ago. Like a turnip and you cover 'em up.

(You raise turnips too, huh? And you dug down in your cellar, you would make a big hole. And you would put these down in this hole and then did you put the dirt back on top of 'em?)

Uh-huh.

(To keep 'em warm?)

...dirt.

Mrs. Downing: We had all winter long, the turnips.

(That keep 'em from freezing?)

Yes.

Uh-huh. And yet would they get withered-like though?)

Well.

(Or start growing--the potatoes. They didn't do that, did they?)

No, some of 'em they grow.

Mrs. Downing: The cabbage too. They used to do that to the head.

They buried it down in the ground. They just stay fresh. Ain't that funny?

(Fresh cabbage all winter long?)

Mrs. Downing: They just pulled out roots and all, you know, head, you know.

(oh)