

Uncle Tonal was Grandma's choice for
a godmother for Walter. It never did
do as you can imagine. Another kind of
boy would have been thrilled with

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the whole life style at Ardhnamurchan Point, but not Walter
~~that~~ Uncle Tomel was what Walter called her ^{when he was little &} ~~she~~ She enjoyed the
joke. ~~she~~ She always wore pork pie hats, stiff collars &
looked like a little man. Have you got the book ^{which I hope has been}
passed on to you - "Herself"? It gives a very good picture
of her & the life she made there. She wasn't entirely popular. She
wanted to improve the local people's lives by building a road
(I think to Fort William) but the locals strenuously objected -
They thought (rightly!) that it would ruin their way of
life. She couldn't see that.

③ She was very High Anglican Church & very well versed in all that that involved (This was the attraction for Grannie)

The Donaldsons were very wealthy - he was in the Braynes shipping - Sandy could tell you more, North Met etc. They had all been brought up by Nannies, and all the children spoke with strong London accents.

This, I understand, was not Cockney. It was known as "The Speech of London" & had been there since way back when. (Cockney was something else, & deserves another letter).

Frances inherited a lot of May Donaldson's stuff & didn't know what to do with the huge tomes. She was about to give them to an Oxford rummage sale when I phoned

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her & suggested she give them to the Post Office at Kitchener (or some such place) which she did, & they were delighted to have them & would treat them most reverently. I don't think Uncle Tomal ever went to school. She had a dreadful prose style. Her publisher ~~used~~ used to tell her her books would sell so much better if only she could write them better, but she couldn't.

I don't know how much more you'd like to hear on this subject. She was a very interesting person, & I'm afraid we, as a family had a lot of fun at her expense (~~so~~ so I believe did Compton M. Kenzie (see his book "Hunting the Fairies" etc. Love to you.