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Walt 1595 I gave a mat made out of leaves

to Siddhattha, the Blessed One,

and served that Buddha thoroughly,

then scattered flowers around for him. Verse 1

Walt 1596 I enjoyed a very costly

pleasant cave, and palaces too;

flowers which were most expensive

dropped into my bed at that time. Verse 2

Walt 1597 On my bed I snuggled on an

ornamented mat of flowers,

and a rain of flowers always

rained down upon my bed back then. Verse 3

Walt 1598 In the ninety-four aeons since

I gave that mat made out of leaves,

I've come to know no bad rebirth:

that's the fruit of a giving a mat. Verse 4

Walt 1599 There were seven wheel-turning kings

all named Ṭhitosanthāraka

who were born, those lords of people,

then in the fifth aeon ago. Verse 5

Walt 1600 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Senāsanadāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Senāsanadāyaka Thera is finished.

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