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The Legends of the Theras

134. Pupphachadanīya

Walt 1895 The brahmin known as Sunanda

who was a master of the mantras,

a learned man, fit for begging,

sacrificed a vājapeyya. Verse 1

Walt 1896 Padumuttara, World-Knower,

the Top, Compassionate, the Sage,

having pity for the people,

walked back and forth across the sky. Verse 2

Walt 1897 Having walked thus the Sambuddha,

Omniscient One, the World-Leader,

Desireless One, with love for them,

then thrilled uncountable beings. Verse 3

Walt 1898 Breaking off a stem of flowers,

that brahmin master of mantras,

assembling all of his students ,

threw them right up into the sky. Verse 4

Walt 1899 There was a floral canopy

over the whole city then;

through the power of the Buddha,

they were there an entire week. Verse 5

Walt 1900 By means of just those wholesome roots,

experiencing happiness,

knowing well all the defilements,

I've crossed over worldly ties. Verse 6

Walt 1901 In the eleventh aeon hence

there were thirty-five different kings

known Ambaraṁsasama,

wheel-turning kings with great power. Verse 7

The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 8

Thus indeed Venerable Pupphachadanīya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Pupphachadanīya Thera is finished.

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