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The Legends of the Theras

Supāricariya Chapter, the Seventeenth

161. Supāricariya

Walt 2050 The one whose name was Paduma,

the Bull of Men, the Biped-Lord,

Eyeful One, setting out from the

forest, was then preaching Dhamma. Verse 1

Walt 2051 There was a spirit-multitude

staying close to the Sage so Great.

Whatever work they'd arrived for

they looked after all of the time. Verse 2

Walt 2052 Understanding the Buddha's words

and preaching of the deathless state,

with a pleased heart and happy mind,

snapping my fingers I served him. Verse 3

Walt 2053 Look at the fruit of good practice,

of service for the great Teacher:

in thirty thousand aeons thence,

I've come to know no bad rebirth. Verse 4

Walt 2054 In the twenty-nine-hundredth aeon,

one man named Samalaṅkata,

was a wheel-turner with great strength,

possessor of the seven gems. Verse 5

Walt 2055 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Supāricariya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Supāricariya Thera is finished.

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