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Walt 2142 In the city, Bandhumatī,

I was a well-trained physician,

bringing many folks happiness

when patients suffered great illness. Verse 1

Walt 2143 Having seen a monk who was sick,

but moral as too very bright,

with a pleased heart and happy mind,

I gave him some medicine then. Verse 2

Walt 2144 That monk with well-guarded senses

became healthy because of that.

He was Vipassi’s attendant,

known by the name of Asoka. Verse 3

Walt 2145 In the ninety-one aeons since
I gave him medicinal herbs,
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
that is the fruit of medicine. Verse 4

Walt 2146 In the eighth aeon after that
the one known as Sabbosadha
was a wheel-turner with great strength,
possessor of the seven gems. Verse 5

Walt 2147 The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Tikicchaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Tikicchaka Thera is finished.

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