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Walt 2391 I caused an altar to be made

for Siddhattha, the Blessed One,

and I also gave protection

to the Well-Gone One, the Great Sage. Verse 1

Walt 2392 As the remainder of that deed,

fear and terror I do not see.

Wherever I have been reborn,

no fright is ever known by me. Verse 2

Walt 2393 In the ninety-four aeons since

I caused that altar to be made,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of an altar-gift. Verse 3

Walt 2394 And in the sixth aeon ago

lived one known as Apassena,

a wheel-turning king with great strength,

possessor of the seven gems. Verse 4

Walt 2395 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Ārakkhadāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Ārakkhadāyaka Thera is finished.

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