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Walt 2450 I was a deer-hunter back then,

within a grove in the forest.

Having seen a piyal flower

I tossed it on the traveled road. Verse 1

Walt 2451 In the thirty-one aeons since

I did pūjā with that flower,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of Buddha-pūjā. Verse 2

Walt 2452 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 3

Thus indeed Venerable Piyālapupphiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Piyālapupphiya Thera is finished.

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