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Walt 979 Digging out the sand which was old

I scattered pure clean sand about

the superb tree, the Bodhi Tree,

of Vipassi the Blessed One. Verse 1

Walt 980 In the ninety-one aeons since

I donated that sand back then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth;

that is the fruit of giving sand. Verse 2

Walt 981 Three and fifty aeons ago

I was King Mahāpuḷina,

a conqueror of the people,

a wheel-turner, with great power. Verse 3

Walt 982 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 4

Thus indeed Venerable Puḷinapūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Puḷinapūjaka Thera is finished.

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