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Walt 2660 Veṭambari was the name of

the man who was my father then.

Having taken me by my hand,

he led me to the Greatest Sage. Verse 1

Walt 2661 “These Buddhas, Chief Lords of the World,

will all be pointed out to me;”

I served them all respectfully,

feeling well- pleased by my own hands. Verse 2

Walt 2662 In the thirty-one aeons since

I looked after the Buddha then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

the fruit of providing service. Verse 3

Walt 2663 In the twenty-third aeon hence

there were four of the ruling caste,

who were all called Samaṇūpaṭṭhāka,

wheel-turning monarchs with great strength. Verse 4

Walt 2664 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Buddhūpaṭṭhāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Buddhūpaṭṭhāyaka Thera is finished.

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