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Walt 3314 I saw the Leader of the World,

shining like a dinner-plate tree,

like the moon on the fifteenth day,

blazing forth like a tree of lamps. Verse 1

Walt 3315 Having gathered some plantain fruit,

I then gave it to the Teacher.

Happy, with pleasure in my heart,

having worshipped him, I went off. Verse 2

Walt 3316 In the thirty-one aeons since

I gave Buddha that fruit back then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that is the fruit of giving fruit. Verse 3

Walt 3317 Being in Best Buddha's presence

was a very good thing for me.

The three knowledges are attained;

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 4

Walt 3318 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 5

Walt 3319 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Kadalīphaladāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Kadalīphaladāyaka Thera is finished.

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