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Walt 4673 In the city, Bandhumatī,

I was a gate-keeper back then.

I saw the Buddha, Stainless One,

who was Master of Everything. Verse 1

Walt 4674 Happy, with pleasure in my heart,

bringing a stalk of sugarcane,

I gave it to him, the Best Buddha,

the Great Sage known as Vipassi. Verse 2

Walt 4675 In the ninety-one aeons since

I gave the Buddha sugar-cane,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

the fruit of a sugar-cane stalk. Verse 3

Walt 4676 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 4

Walt 4677 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 5

Walt 4678 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Ucchukaṇḍika Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Ucchukaṇḍika Thera is finished.

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