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Walt 4684 Seeing the Buddha in the woods,

the Self-Become, Unconquered One,

having taken a hog-plum, I

gave it to the Self-Become One. Verse 1

Walt 4685 In the thirty-one aeons since

I gave that fruit to him back then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that is the fruit of giving fruit. Verse 2

Walt 4686 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 3

Walt 4687 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 4688 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Ambāṭaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Ambāṭaka Thera is finished.

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