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Walt 1184 Building a hut in the forest,

I dwelt upon a mountain then,

I was happy to get, or not,

in glory as in dishonor. Verse 1

Walt 1185 Padumuttara, World-Knower,

Sacrificial Recipient,

with a hundred thousand masters

came into my presence back then. Verse 2

Walt 1186 Laying out a mat made of grass

for the one named for the lotus,

the Great Hero, who had arrived,

and I gave it to him, the Teacher. Verse 3

Walt 1187 Happy, and with a happy heart,

with a mind that was very clear,

I provided both food and drink

to him, the Upright Sambuddha. Verse 4

Walt 1188 In the hundred thousand aeons

since I gave him that gift back then,

I've come to know no bad rebirth:

that's the fruit of castor oil fruit. Verse 5

Walt 1189 In the forty-first aeon hence

I was known as Arindama,

a wheel-turning king with great strength,

possessor of the seven gems. Verse 6

Walt 1190 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 7

Thus indeed Venerable Sannidhāpaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Sannidhāpaka Thera is finished.

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