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The Legends of the Theras

457. {460.} Gandhapūjaka

Walt 4859 When the pyres were constructed

various scents were then gathered.

Happy, with pleasure in my heart,

I offered a handful of scents. Verse 1

Walt 4860 In the hundred thousand aeons

since I worshipped that pyre back then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of worshipping pyres. Verse 2

Walt 4861 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 3

Walt 4862 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 4863 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Gandhapūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Gandhapūjaka Thera is finished.

The Summary:

Jagatī and Morahatthī,

Āsanī, Ukkadhāraka,

Akkamī, Vanakoraṇḍī,

Chattada, Jātipūjaka,

and the elder Paṭṭipupphī,

the tenth is Gandhapūjaka.

There are sixty-seven verses

which are counted by those who know.

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