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Walt 5561 In the city, Bandhumatī,

I lived in the royal garden.

I was then clothed in deer-leather,

carrier of a water-pot. Verse 1

Walt 5562-5563 I saw the Buddha, Stainless One,

the Self-Become, Unconquered One,

Energetic, Meditator,

Lover of Trances, the Master,

Successful in All the Pleasures,

Flood-Crosser, the Undefiled One.

Having seen him, pleased and happy,

I gave some unguent to him. Verse 2-3

Walt 5564 In the ninety-four aeons since

I gave him that unguent then,

I've come to know no bad rebirth:

that is the fruit of unguent. Verse 4

Walt 5565 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 5

Walt 5566 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 6

Walt 5567 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 7

Thus indeed Venerable Abbhañjanadāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Abbhañjanadāyaka Thera is finished.

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