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Walt 1526 On a Himalayan mountain

I was residing formerly.

Wearing deer-leather outer robes

I dwelt upon that mountain then. Verse 1

Walt 1527 I saw the golden Sambuddha

who had gone into the forest.

He was like the hundred-rayed sun,

like a regal sal tree in bloom. Verse 2

Walt 1528 Having pleased my heart in the rays

of Vipassi, the Sage so Great,

pressing hands together, squatting,

I worshipped him bowing my head. Verse 3

Walt 1529 In the ninety-one aeons since

I did that good karma back then,

I've come to know no bad rebirth:

that's the fruit of perceiving rays. Verse 4

Walt 1530 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Raṁsisaññaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Raṁsisaññaka Thera is finished.

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