Ja 194 — The Story about the Jewel Thief

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Na santi Devā, pavasanti nūna,

Na hi nūna santi idha lokapālā.

Sahasā karontānam-asaññatānaṁ,

Na hi nūna santī paṭisedhitāro ti.

Verse 1 — English

There are no Devas, they surely live far off, here are surely no guardians of the world. The uncontrolled, behaving with violence, there are surely none who can ward them off.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Akāle vassatī tassa, kāle tassa na vassati,

Saggā ca cavati ṭhānā, nanu so tāvatā hato ti.

Verse 2 — English

For him it rains out of season, for him in season it rains not, from his place in heaven he fell, on that account he is slaughtered.