Ja 267 — The Story about (the Immense) Crab

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. “Siṅgī migo āyatacakkhunetto,

Aṭṭhittaco vārisayo alomo,

Tenābhibhūto kapaṇaṁ rudāmi,

Mā heva maṁ pāṇasamaṁ jaheyyā ti.”

Source note 1.1 (Pali source)

[This verse is omitted by accident in the digital transcription of Cst.]

Verse 1 — English

“Hornéd creature having extended eyes, bones for skin, lying in water, hairless, overcome by him I cry wretchedly, you should not abandon me, dear as life.”

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. “Ayya na taṁ jahissāmi, kuñjaraṁ saṭṭhihāyanaṁ,

Pathabyā cāturantāya suppiyo hosi me tuvan-ti.”

Verse 2 — English

“Dear sir, I will not abandon you, elephant of sixty years, by the four quarters on the earth you are the one most dear to me.”

Verse 3 — Pali source

3. “Ye {2.344} kuḷīrā samuddasmiṁ, Gaṅgāya Yamunāya ca,

Tesaṁ tvaṁ vārijo seṭṭho, muñca rodantiyā patin-ti.”

Verse 3 — English

“Those crabs in the ocean, and in the Ganges and the Yamunā, of these you’re the best born in water, through my cries free my husband.”