Sakacittaniya

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Sakacittaniya Chapter, the Seventh

[61. Sakacittaniya¹]

Seeing a grove in the forest, very quiet [and] undisturbed, [a place for] sages' practices and receipt of sacrifices, (1) [1349]

making a stupa of bamboo² which was strewn with varied flowers, I [then] worshipped [my] creation as though facing the Sambuddha. (2) [1350]

I was king, lord of a country, possessor of the seven gems. I delighted in my karma: that's the fruit of stupa-pūjā. (3) [1351]

In the ninety-one aeons since I honored [him with] flowers [then], I've come to know no bad rebirth: that's the fruit of stupa-pūjā. (4) [1352]

Eighty aeons ago I was possessor of the seven gems, wheel-turner Anantayasa,³ the lord of the four continents. (5) [1353]

The four analytical modes, and these eight deliverances, six special knowledges mastered, [I have] done what the Buddha taught! (6) [1354]

Thus indeed Venerable Sakacittaniya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Sakacittaniya Thera is finished.

¹"Thinking for Himself"

²some PTS alternatives and BJTS read *pūlinaṃ*, "sand," but PTS agrees with the cty in reading *veļunaṃ*, "bamboo." so I translate accordingly.

³"Boundless Fame"