

Gatasañña

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[82. Gatasaññaka]

I went forth into homelessness
 being [only] seven years [old].
 With a mind that was very clear
 I [then] worshipped the Teacher's feet. (1) [1506]

[Then] I tossed up into the air
 seven *nagaliki* flowers
 for the sake of Tissa Buddha,
 the Boundless Ocean of Virtues. (2) [1507]

Happy-minded, I did *pūjā*
 on the road the Well-Gone-One trod,
 then I pressed my hands together
 [feeling well-] pleased by [my] own hands. (3) [1508]

In the ninety-two aeons since
 I did that [good] karma back then,
 I've come to know no bad rebirth:
 that's the fruit of Buddha-*pūjā*. (4) [1509]

In the eighth aeon after that
 there were three [named] Aggisikha.¹
 [They were] wheel-turners with great strength,
 possessors of the seven gems. (5) [1510]

The four analytical modes,
 and these eight deliverances,
 six special knowledges mastered,
 [I have] done what the Buddha taught! (6) [1511]

Thus indeed Venerable Gatasaññaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Gatasaññaka Thera is finished.

¹"Fire-Flame".