

Hāsajanaka

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[323. Hāsajanaka¹]

I saw the Teacher’s robe of rags,
stuck up in the top of a tree.²
Having pressed my hands together,
I lifted [it] up further still. (1) [2837]

Having glimpsed [it] from far away
[that robe] filled me up with laughter.³
Having pressed my hands together,
I brought [my] heart more pleasure still. (2) [2838]

In the ninety-one aeons since
I obtained that perception then,
I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:
the fruit of perceiving Buddhas. (3) [2839]

The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (4) [2840]

Thus indeed Venerable Hāsajanaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Hāsajanaka Thera is finished.

¹“Laughter-Knower”

²I follow the cty and BJTS Sinhala gloss in taking *dumagge* as *duma* + *agge*. It would also be possible to take it as *du* + *magge*, “on a bad road”.

³lit., “laughter was produced for me”