Kureñjiyaphaladāyaka

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Kureñjiyaphaladāyaka¹ Chapter, the Fifty-Second

[508. {511.}² Kureñjiyaphaladāyaka³]

I was formerly a hunter, wandering in the woods back then. I saw the Buddha, Stainless One, [who was] Master of Everything. (1) [5457]

Carrying kureñjiya⁴ fruit, I gave [it] to the Best Buddha, the Field of Merit, the Hero, [feeling well-]pleased by [my] own hands. (2) [5458]

In the thirty-one aeons since I gave [him] that fruit at that time, I've come to know no bad rebirth: that is the fruit of giving fruit. (3) [5459]

My defilements are [now] burnt up; all [new] existence is destroyed.
Like elephants with broken chains,
I am living without constraint. (4) [5460]

Being in Best Buddha's presence was a very good thing for me.
The three knowledges are attained;
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (5) [5461]

The four analytical modes, and these eight deliverances, six special knowledges mastered, [I have] done what the Buddha taught! (6) [5462]

Thus indeed Venerable Kureñjiyaphaladāyaka⁵ Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Kureñjiyaphaladāyaka⁶ Thera is finished.

¹BJTS reads simply *Phaladāyaka*°

²Apadāna numbers provided in {fancy brackets} correspond to the BJTS edition, which contains more individual poems than does the PTS edition dictating the main numbering of this translation.

³"Kureñjiya Fruit Donor". BJTS reads Kurañjiya. Cone, s.v., "the name of a plant or tree," citing this passage. This same *apadāna* is presented above as #497. {500.}, the only difference being the name of the fruit given, in v. 2., and hence the name of the donor.

⁴BJTS reads kurañjiyaphalam

⁵BJTS reads Kurañjiya°

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