

Legends of the Buddhist Saints

Apadānapāli

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Ārakkhadāyaka

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Ārakkhadāyaka¹ Chapter, the Thirty-Second

[311. Ārakkhadāyaka²]

A fence was constructed by me
for the Great Sage, Dhammadassi,
and I provided protection
for the Best Biped, the Neutral One. (1) [2768]

It was eighteen-hundred aeons
ago that I did that karma.
Through that [good] karma's remaining
effect, I am now an arahant.³ (2) [2769]

The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (3) [2770]

Thus indeed Venerable Ārakkhadāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Ārakkhadāyaka Thera is finished.

¹This is the BJTS reading throughout, and the PTS reading in the body of this poem; I assume that the PTS reading of the chapter title as *Ārakkhadāya* is a typographical error

²“Protection Giver”

³lit., “is my attainment of the destruction of the outflows (*āsava*),” a much more technical way of saying the same thing.