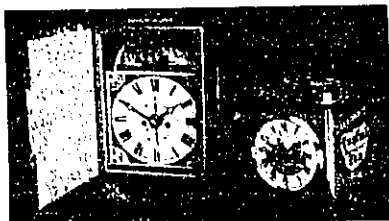


## MARKET PLACE

## Herbal essence

**PLANTING IDEAS:** Michigan Made herbal stationery/herb garden kits were developed by a designer based in Dexter. Each special kit includes recycled stationery with herb-inspired designs, a seed package of herbs, sterilized peat for seed starting and a wood planter for growing herbs indoors. Each kit also includes lore about medicinal and mythical properties associated with the packaged herb, as well as creative uses for cooking and gardening. Chives, for example, make an excellent low border in the garden and act as a natural repellent to such garden pests as aphids and Japanese beetles. Kits are also available in lemon balm, peppermint and lavender. Available for \$12 at the Michigan Made store in downtown Plymouth. Call (313) 207-8794.



## Tea time

**TASTEFUL:** Spice up your decor with this classic brass-accented clock mounted in a decorative antique style tea tin. The gold-hinged top flips open to reveal a plastic-lined storage area to keep your favorite tea blends fresh. Makes a charming but practical accent piece for the bookshelf or spice rack. Available for \$45 at Rand McNally in the Somerset Collection, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy. Call (810) 643-7470.

## In bloom

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