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A San Leandro police officer was treated for a concussion and two others received minor injuries after a burglary suspect lashed out while resisting arrest last week.

An officer was responding to a report of a home burglary on the 400 block of Breed Avenue on Dec. 27 around 8 p.m. When he got to the location, the suspect had already fled, but the officer began canvassing the area for witnesses, according to Lt. Rick DeCosta of the San Leandro police.

During his investigation, he heard glass shatter and a woman scream a few houses down the street. He then called for back-up and went to the house where the disturbance had been heard.

Policeman Suffers Concussion In Arrest of Burglary Suspect

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The officers found the homeowner struggling with a suspect in the backyard, DeCosta said.

The cops tried to get the man in handcuffs, but the suspect struggled and tried to bite them. More officers arrived at the yard and one of those officers was kicked in the head in the struggle. After a nearly five minute fight, the man was restrained.

The injured officer had a concussion as well as superficial injures to his hands, arms and face.

The suspect, 22-year-old Ryan Bowden from Castro Valley, had minor scrapes and was treated for his injures before being arrested for battery of a police officer and burglary and booked into Santa Rita jail in Dublin.